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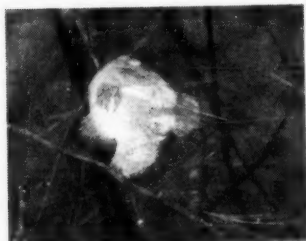
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Reservations required — Lena Tombarello prepares for an Easter egg hunt for kids at Marland Place on Saturday from 10:30 a.m. to noon. See page 8 for details.

## Will town nab homes of tax delinquents?

By Rebecca Piro

Resident Frances O'Donnell remembers when the town forced her friend and neighbor Mary Smythe — who owed \$70,000 in property taxes — to leave her Lincoln Street home. O'Donnell was planting flowers in her yard when she saw the tax collector knocking on Smythe's door.

"I knew that she was inside and he'd be after her," says O'Donnell. "What? I'd think, 'Is Mary going to be thrown out?' I didn't want to witness something like that. So I'd come inside."

The town auctioned off Smythe's house last summer for \$200,000 to regain the unpaid taxes that Smythe had accumulated since 1981. It was an event that town officials say had not happened for years — yet, the town could auction two more homes in September.

Both properties — neither of which Selectmen Chairman Brian Major will identify, as the matters are not yet "settled" — were foreclosed upon last fall after owners "ignored" the town's repeated efforts to collect taxes, says Tax Collector Dave Reilly. Selectmen will allow the former home-

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Average tax bills double from '90 to '02

## Your town, your wallet

By Neil Fater

By next year, average homeowners who have lived in Andover since 1990 will have seen their property taxes double.

If these homeowners plan to connect to town sewers as part of the sewer-expansion project, they will soon pay annual town bills almost triple what they once owed.

Both of these statements will become true, even if residents don't pass a general override of Proposition 2½ next year to pay for the town's operating budget. Officials agree that such an override will be necessary to maintain existing levels of service if either the budget recommended by the School Committee or Finance Committee is approved. An override is expected to add a few hundred dollars more to the average bill.

That's one reason why Selectmen Chairman Brian Major says

he may break with the rest of his board and ask Town Meeting to approve the town manager's budget, which he says could be maintained without an override. (See story, page 5.)

If the town does approve a budget that requires an override to maintain it, officials say they may ask for a debt-exclusion vote to pay for virtually every capital project worth \$1 million or more.

"There's going to be a lot of serious talk about that," predicts Tony Torrisi, town finance director. "There will have to be."

Under such a scenario, debt-exclusion votes would be called for articles like those this year seeking money for new fields, or to help renovate Will Hall. Debt exclusions have been approved only three times in Andover — and never for a project costing less than \$10 million.

Here are some of the tax fig-

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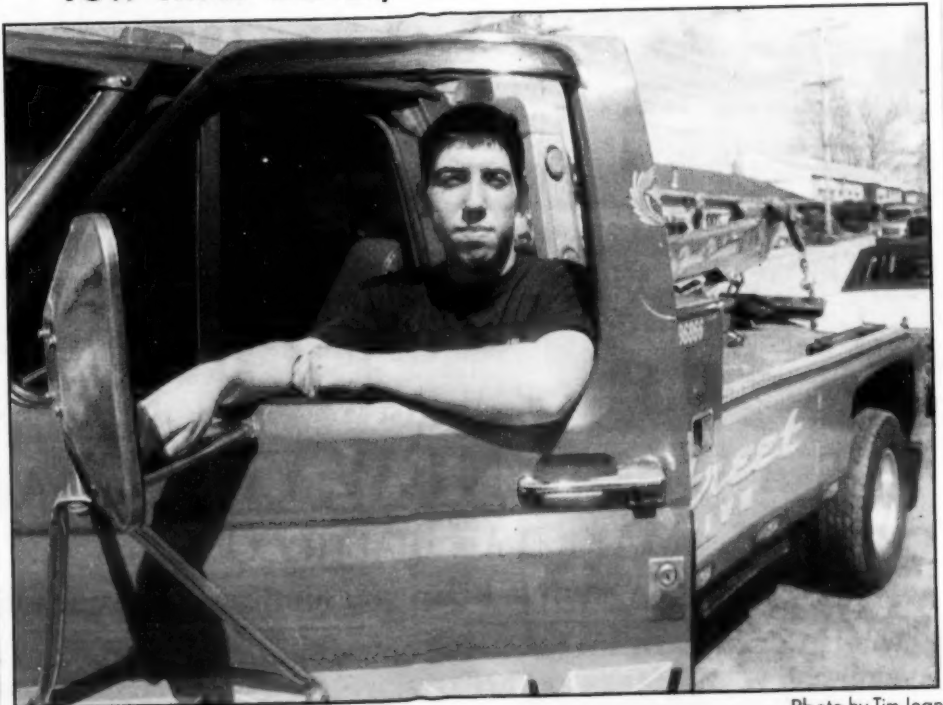


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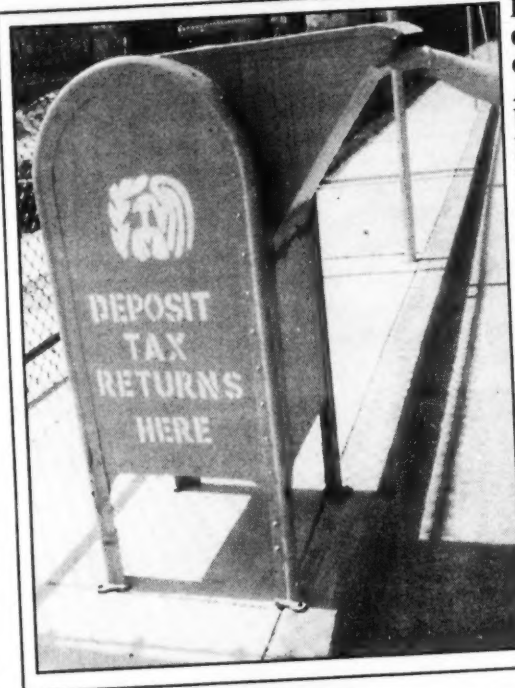
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## Bancroft's next leader

By Adam Groff

There are three finalists for the position of Bancroft Elementary principal.

Scott R. Morrison is currently assistant principal to Norah McCarthy, who is leaving Bancroft to begin as principal at the new middle school under construction on Cross Street. Morrison came to Bancroft this past fall from the Bentley Elementary School in Salem, where he was a fifth-grade teacher for six years. He was also the Bentley School Summer Academy Director. He holds a bachelor's in elementary education and a master's in education from Salem State College.

Stephen J. Medeiros is the principal of the Walter E. Ranger Elementary School in Tiverton, R.I., where he has served in a variety of teaching and administrative positions for the past 27 years. He has a bachelor's in English from Bridgewater State College and a master's in education from Rhode Island College.

Steven J. Silvestri has been the principal of two different elementary schools in Chelmsford, beginning in 1989. Previously, he was a principal in Westwood, Mass., and before that he taught elementary school for 11 years in Stow. Silvestri was named the National Distinguished Principal from Massachusetts and Mass. Elementary Principal of the Year, both in 1997. His bachelor's in elementary education is from Northeastern University, and his master's in education is from Lesley College.

## Finance Committee projects estimated bills

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ures residents will find in the Finance Committee report, which is being delivered to residents this week:

• **Double trouble** — The average Andover homeowner paid \$2,500 in taxes in fiscal year 1990. The average homeowner is scheduled to pay \$5,026 in town taxes next year if either of the budgets recommended by the Finance Committee or School Committee is approved at Town Meeting. Average homeowners also pay \$302 for water, and those on sewers pay another \$290.

• **Triple pay** — The average homeowner who will hook into town sewer as a part of the town's massive expansion project can expect to owe the town even more. The average homeowner's tax bill will jump from that \$2,500 in FY '90 to \$5,495 in FY '04 if there is not an override. Add to that FY '04's annual

cost for the new sewers — \$290 in fees and \$1,462 in betterment — and the average, newly sewered homeowner will be paying the town \$7,247, plus another \$302 in water bills.

• **Debt dollars** — Though Andover taxpayers never paid a dime of tax due to debt exclusions prior to FY '94, they will pay a record amount of such tax during each of the next three years. The average bill in FY '02 will include \$218 in debt-exclusion cost to pay for the 1994 schools project, the new schools and the safety center job. Average bills will include \$278 in

debt-exclusion costs in FY '03 and \$295 in debt-exclusion costs in FY '04.

### Override additions

How much an override will cost the average taxpayer remains to be seen, as officials have not agreed on the size of the override. Finance Committee Chairwoman Joanne Marden says "I have very much been avoiding that number because I have nothing to base it on."

Some officials are willing to speculate, however. "If we approve everything this year, then the override would have to be a minimum of \$3 million — and per-

sonally I feel that's a low number," says Major.

Torresi says the override impact for the average homeowner will be \$73 per \$1 million of override. Taking Major's "minimum" \$3-million amount, an override will mean another \$219 in taxes for the average homeowner during the first year. This tax will increase at a rate of 2.5 percent per year.

The average single-family home was assessed at \$316,370 this year, FY '01. The figures used above were based on several assumptions, including that this average residential value would not change and that there would be no growth in the tax base.

"Every year that you get out, (the estimates) get more inaccurate," says Marden. "I'll be willing to bet, no matter what, the average tax next year won't be exactly (the predicted) \$5,026. (But) it gives you an idea of the scale."

### Key estimated numbers on average bill

Tax without override in 'FY '03:	\$5,278
Betterment and sewer bill for those new to sewer in FY '03:	\$1,790
Override cost for first year assuming "minimum" override:	\$219
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$7,287</b>

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# To prevent override, Major may seek lesser school budget

By Rebecca Piro

Dissatisfied with the two budget options on the table, Selectmen Chairman Brian Major has decided to add another. He says he may provide Town Meeting with a budget choice that won't force residents to face a multi-million-dollar override next year to maintain existing staffing and services.

With less than two weeks before Town Meeting, the Board of Selectmen took a stance on the

budget issue last week, voting to recommend approval for the school department's request of \$42.5 million. If Town Meeting follows the board's lead, officials will struggle next year to balance the budget. They believe they will need a multi-million-dollar override to cover the costs of basic town operation, as well as new positions and programs planned by the schools.

Concerned about the likely \$4- to \$5-million override residents

could face next year, Major says he plans to ask people to support Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski's recommended budget in an amendment on the Town Meeting floor. That budget is almost \$1.1 million less than what the schools requested and what the majority of the Board of Selectmen recommended.

"In order to truly represent the town, we need to present to them the best chance to balance the budget this year, as well as

future years," Major says. Voting for the town manager's budget could mean the town would not have to ask for an override to maintain current operations next year, he adds. As a town leader, Major says it would be irresponsible not to provide Town Meeting with an option to balance its budget within the town's means.

The School Committee denounced Stapczynski's budget from day one (see related story, below), stating that his \$41.5 mil-

lion recommendation would not allow the schools to even maintain their current levels of education, and would prevent Andover public schools from meeting the level of excellence that other state school systems provide.

## French reconsiders

Selectman MaryFrench says she believes the schools' needs are crucial, and therefore voted to recommend approval of the

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## What school cuts would mean

By Adam Groff

With two and possibly three budget numbers headed for the floor of Town Meeting, Superintendent Claudia Bach and other members of the Andover school community spoke frankly on Thursday about what would happen if they do not get the budget they have requested this year, or if an override is not approved next year.

"The community will have made a choice, and we will cut," said Bach.

School officials have said that because a large part of their proposed 8.9-percent increase is going toward negotiated salary agreements and increased operating costs, the first place they would likely go to reduce their budget, if forced to do so, would be to the approximately \$800,000 in new staff requests, which they painstakingly culled from more than \$2 million worth of requests from individual schools.

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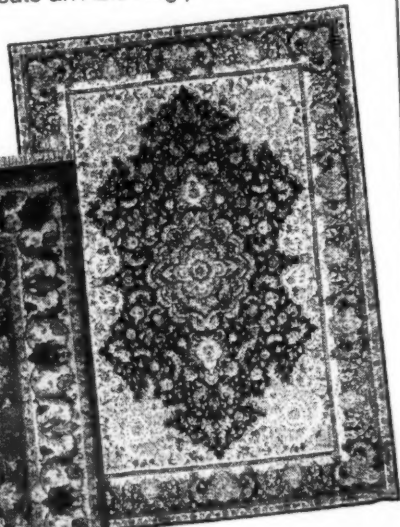
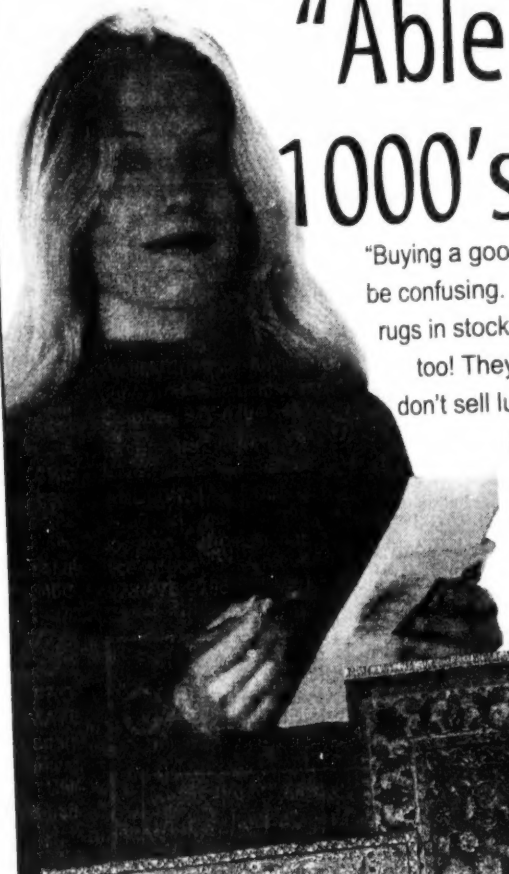
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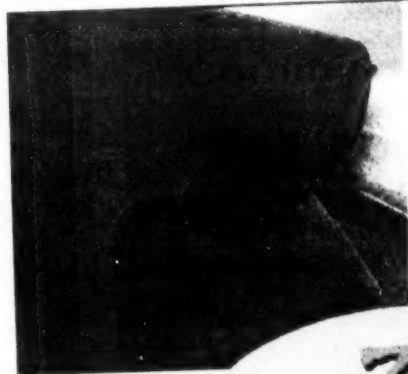


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## School view

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These requests represent the equivalent of more than 18 full-time positions, actually more than 30 full- and part-time jobs.

Bach said that according to administration calculations, not getting the requested seventh-grade teacher at Doherty Middle School would mean class sizes of 28 instead of 25.4 in that grade. Not getting the sixth-grade teacher for West Middle School would mean classes of 28.4 instead of 25.6. School Committee policy caps class sizes in these grades at 29. "The (class size of) 25 is an adequate system," said Bach. "The 28 is not."

Bach says that for now, she has abandoned the administration's stated goal of becoming an "exemplary" school district. "Exemplary is 15 to 18 students to a class, like they have in Lexington," she said.

Bach further stated that redistrict-

ing to fill the new elementary and middle schools in 2002 will not alleviate the class-size issue significantly, because teachers will be redistricted too, in an effort to minimize the number of new hires.

Diane Costagliola, president of the South Elementary Parent-Teacher Organization, gave her opinion regarding town priorities.

"I was aghast when I saw that (Selectmen) Brian Major and Ted Teichert voted against the school budget and for the \$2 million for the senior center," she said. "We don't have enough classes in the high school. That's not the reputation of the schools, and it's not the reputation of the town."

Bach and School Committee member Tina Girdwood say they need the money even at the cost of increasing the size of the override the town will need, and at the risk of not getting it.

"The new schools will open," even without the override, said Girdwood, "but we'll have to completely redefine what we do in schools."

## Two selectmen rethink budget

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schools' budget. However, she is increasingly unsure about raiding \$600,000 from the stabilization fund - money designated to open the new schools - to bulk up the schools' budget. Monday she suggested moving \$250,000 for sidewalk reconstruction to the school budget, as well as chopping the school budget by \$350,000. This would let the town put \$600,000 in the stabilization fund.

Selectmen Ray Hender and Ted

Teichert declared that they were not in favor of revisiting the selectmen's vote. When Major contacted the School Committee Tuesday for a possible meeting, it made it clear that it would not entertain discussion of any cuts to its budget. The selectmen will join the Finance Committee next Wednesday, April 18 to reconsider the budget, and Major will promote his idea to the boards. The meeting will take place only five days before Town Meeting.

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## On budget, avoid addition

Judging by the number of letters we received this week — and there were several that simply couldn't fit in this week's paper — residents are interested in this year's annual Town Meeting. That's no surprise.

With the budget considerations, an effort to eliminate a smoking option from all restaurants, an idea to help create a new senior center and the articles seeking more playing fields and open space, every homeowner in town will be significantly affected by the votes taken April 23 and 24.

But residents should also be interested in the Finance Committee book they will receive in their mailbox this week. This book will help them to understand the consequences of each of their votes.

The Finance Committee has included information showing both the whopping increase in the average tax bill during the last decade, and projected increases for the next few years. The potential operating cost increases for wanted items such as a new senior center, youth center or community center are not included in the Finance Committee projections.

Naturally, residents will make decisions based on what they personally can afford. But, given the uncertainty of an override being approved, everyone must beware of adding new items that will need maintenance and add to the tax burden, at a time when the town is having great difficulty paying for what it already has. Residents will be called at this Town Meeting to set their priorities for the town.

### Letters policy

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Letters should be received by the *Townsmen* by Monday at 5 p.m. for consideration in that week's paper. They may be sent by mail, fax or e-mail. As a general rule, the paper does not publish anonymous letters or thank you letters.

It also does not publish letters for candidates in the issue prior to an election. It will publish letters about Town Meeting articles in issues published prior to Town Meeting.



Photo by Tim Jean

**Helping hand** — Mary Coppeta fills up an egg for a children's Easter egg hunt with the help of Jomery Figueroa. Also preparing eggs are Felicia Davis, Charloette Chesley and Alexandra Wholley. The hunt, at Marland Place on Stevens Street on Saturday from 10:30 a.m. to noon, is open to the public, but people must call ahead of time to reserve a spot. Call 978-475-4225.

## Letter writers argue future of gravel pit

**AREA ACQUIRED FOR RECREATION,  
LET'S USE IT FOR PLAYING FIELDS**

**Editor, *Townsmen*:**

For more than 20 years, the townspeople have been supportive of the programs and activities that I have been organizing at the Department of Community Services (DCS). As a professional who works to provide youth and adults with ample opportunities to participate in healthy lifestyle activities, I have been thankful for residents' support for improving our programs and recreation facilities. Recreation Park continues to offer a place for family gatherings, school events, private parties, softball games and tennis matches, and a base for many DCS programs. Poms Pond and its surrounding area have proven to be valuable natural resources as well.

Three years ago, I came to Town Meeting asking residents to support the funding of an engineering study for the development of the Essex Sand and Gravel Pit. That year, DCS also asked for approval of the creation of a fund to pay for potential tracts of land that could support fields and other active recreation programs. Town Meeting at that time voted to support the development of active recreation land if a specific parcel was identified. The study article passed, but the article to create a fund did not.

The engineering study is complete, and once again I am asking residents to consider improvements to Recreation Park with their approval of Article 10. What is exciting about this year's request is that \$500,000 is being donated by youth sports to help defray the cost of the project.

The sole purpose for acquiring the gravel pit was to develop it for active recreation. This tract of land comple-



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**PIT IS A UNIQUE AREA, SHOULD BE  
PRESERVED AS AN ECOLOGICAL PARK**

**Editor, *Townsmen*:**

At this Town Meeting we will consider the future of the property known as the former Essex Sand and Gravel Pit. It, together with Poms Pond and a beautiful emergent wetland and land bridge, and adjacent AVIS property, form a more than 100-acre area bounded by Abbott, Woburn and Andover streets. It is an extraordinary property.

Article 10 asks the town to appropriate funds to build three playing fields. Article 11 asks the town to place the property back into conservation, as a first step in the creation of an ecological park. Both require a two-thirds vote in order to pass.

This article places two legitimate interests in direct opposition.

- The need for additional playing fields in Andover is acute. The increased population of the town and the increased popularity of various sports, notably soccer and lacrosse, have placed us in a very difficult position. As an 11-season soccer coach whose kids have all played or are currently playing the sport, I feel special empathy for this cause.

- The ecological attributes of this land are unique in Andover. This area represents the single remaining isolated major wetlands ecosystem owned by the town.

The gravel pit is part of a natural bowl which physically retains most of the species living in that area. It is the ultimate land design for the development of an ecological park, providing a perfect space for the rein-

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# Letters

## Parents: School budget needed for basics

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The school department budget for fiscal year 2002, proposed by Superintendent Claudia Bach and endorsed by the School Committee and the Board of Selectmen, is approximately \$525,000 more than that recommended by the Finance Committee. The budget put forward by the superintendent/School Committee reflects a continuation of programs currently in place and proposes new staff only to meet the demands of increased student enrollment, state and district standards, and special-education requirements. The new textbook adoptions are designed to align Andover's curriculum to state frameworks, thus better preparing our students for the MCAS tests. We, the members of Townwide PTO, support this budget. We also urge all voters to make an informed decision and to attend Town Meeting on April 23.

**Diane Hender**  
Moderator, Townwide PTO  
6 Millstone Circle

**Carol Midey**  
Secretary, Townwide PTO  
19 Sutherland St.

(Members of the Townwide PTO voted on April 6 to support the above letter.)

## On town budget, reality check needed

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Before we go into the spending debauch known as the Town Meeting, we need to get a firm grasp on where we are now.

**REALITY 1:** The "good times" are over.

At the last Town Meeting, the Chairman of the Planning Board said (in the context of the youth-center article), "If we can't do this in the good times, when can we do it?"

At the moment Andover residents are being laid off - yes, honestly. It's hard to believe, but true! Not only that, but this time around *no one* is immune.

Some large Andover companies are a shadow of their former selves. CMGI is one example.

Nest eggs are shriveling. This is a special problem for the retirees in the community who are on fixed incomes and rely on investments to supplement social security.

**REALITY 2:** Real-estate taxes will go up substantially with no action from Town Meeting.

During the "good times" the town committed money like a drunken sailor. The items committed to included the safety center, two schools, a senior center and teen center, sewers and prettifications of downtown Andover.

If you enjoy your tax rate now, consider what it will be when these massive commitments are added. Like the drunken sailor referred to above, we will wake

## Reichhold property important to set aside for future generations

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The Reichhold site is a storied property that presents a wonderful opportunity for the town. It has more than 1.3 miles of river frontage, flat flood plains, forested uplands and wetlands. It fills a major gap in the open-space corridor that runs along the Shawsheen River. There are very few parcels left in town that offer the potential of this 46-acre site. There are also few that offer such a checkered history: For more than 40 years a chemical plant occupied the site, spewing its effluent into the Shawsheen River, dumping hardened resins into on-site landfills, and processing waste chemicals on site.

About 10 years ago, Reichhold acknowledged that indeed it had been polluting and began to clean up the site. In Massachusetts, the law requires clean-up to be designed and directed by a "licensed site professional" or LSP who reports its findings and progress to the Mass. Dept. of Environmental Protection and the town of Andover's Board of Health. Reichhold hired CH2M Hill, a very reputable, very well known environmental consulting firm.

More than 18,000 tons of resins, old structures and contaminated soils, have been removed from the site. Subsequently, those areas were covered with three feet of clean soils. The ground water was also polluted with volatile organic compounds. Given time, with oxygen present, these compounds will decay. Presently, most of the soils have met the state's highest standard, which is sufficient for residential use including growing vegetables. The remaining substan-

dard soils are under the buildings that are soon to be torn down. The same processes used on the rest of the site will be used there. The groundwater does not yet meet state standards in some areas of the site. However, monitoring wells show a positive trend toward reducing concentrations as the natural decaying process and the flow of groundwater into the Shawsheen continues.

When the possibility of acquiring the Reichhold site first arose there was skepticism. The town does not want to assume any clean-up liability, nor does it want to expose users of the site, be it through passive or active recreation, to any chemical that they wouldn't find in their own backyard. The Conservation Commission hired Ramson Environmental Consultants, an LSP to review the work that had been done to date. Its opinion is that the site can be cleaned up to meet the state standards for soils and groundwater. If not, then the town will not purchase the site.

The advocates of the Reichhold site acquisition support this purchase because of the site's multiuse potential. This would be a worthwhile acquisition for the town even if it were only used for passive recreation. But in addition, the town can use the 27,000-square-foot existing warehouse for much-needed seasonal storage, i.e. snowplows in the summer, mowers in the winter. To purchase the land and build a similar facility would cost more than \$1 million. The third use could be converting some of the level areas into playing fields. This would be similar to the soccer fields in Lowell that were built on a brownfields site 10 years

ago. Such fields would only be on soils that meet the state's "S-1" standard and then covered with 8-12 inches of imported clean-fill.

This acquisition will not take place until 1) the state DEP signs off on the complete remediation of the site, 2) a town-hired LSP conducts its own study and gives the town an opinion that the site is suitable and safe for its intended uses, 3) the town's legal counsel is comfortable the town is not taking on any new liability for any future clean-up of the Reichhold contamination.

The rationale for approving the funds now, rather than waiting the two to 10 years until the clean-up is finalized, is that the owner, seeing that the end of the process is in sight, is determined to sell the property now. In the event the town elects not to purchase the property, it will be sold to an industrial developer. Given the zoning of the site (residential C, industrial A and industrial G) any kind of industrial development is possible as Industrial G is the least restrictive of any of our zoning regulations.

This acquisition meets the top requirements for open space acquisitions set forth in the town's Open Space and Recreation Master Plan: It adds protection along our river corridors, provides suitable terrain for more playing fields, abuts existing conservation land and protects part of the town's water supply. It is an important property to set aside for future generations.

**Jerry Bird**  
67 Argilla Road  
Past Chairman,  
Open Space and Recreation Plan

## Keep fighting the power plant, with legal fees

Editor, *Townsmen*:

At Town Meeting, in Article 30, the selectmen will ask voters to appropriate money to finance the town's continued participation in the legal and regulatory permitting procedures for the proposed Nickel Hill power plant in Dracut. I urge Andover residents to attend Town Meeting and support the selectmen by voting "yes" on this important article.

If built, the Nickel Hill power plant, though located in Dracut, would have great environmental impacts on Andover and Lawrence. Nickel Hill's modeling of air emissions from the plant shows that the greatest concentration of nitrogen oxides - which contribute to the formation of ground-level ozone and can aggravate respiratory illnesses - will be deposited over downtown Lawrence and all of Andover, with the highest concentration in the area of the new schools.

The town has joined the Merrimack Valley Residents for the Environment (MVRE) in appealing the decision by the state Energy Facility Siting Board last November to allow construction of the plant, and that appeal is pending before

the state's Supreme Judicial Court. In part, the appeal contends that the plant as proposed would not use the best available air pollution control technology and thus won't have the lowest possible emissions of pollutants.

In addition, the town has joined MVRE in hiring environmental experts to review the information that Nickel Hill has supplied to the state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). This is an extremely important step for the town to take on behalf of Andover citizens. Without the review and comments of the experts hired by the town and MVRE, the DEP would have only the information supplied by Nickel Hill to use as a basis for meeting its requirements in the regulatory permits.

The only way for the town to make sure that the Nickel Hill power plant, if built, will be the cleanest, safest, quietest plant possible is to participate in the legal and regulatory processes and provide educated comments about the proposed technologies and permits. All Andover residents should support the selectmen's

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**John H. Baker**  
299 South Main St.



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commitment to be involved in these processes until their conclusions, no matter how long they take. The money involved is a small price to pay to ensure that every possible measure is taken to minimize the negative impacts the proposed plant would have on our collective health.

Cynthia Barakatt, MVRE  
315 River Road

## Soccer rules should be carded

Editor, *Townsmen*:

In regard to the coming vote for additional soccer fields for Andover, I urge everyone to vote "no." OK, I don't mean that, but there are kids in this town who want to play spring soccer but can't, and it's not because there

aren't enough fields. It is because they didn't sign up last fall.

I am a frustrated parent of an 8-year-old who forgot to sign up his son for spring soccer. My son has played spring and fall soccer for the last 2 years. I talked to an assistant coach of an under-9 team that has only eight players (1 in hockey and 2 in baseball). He said there is room on the team for my son. My wife spoke to the Andover Soccer Association age coordinator, I spoke to the president, who was also speaking for the registrar and the board, who as a group, refuse to sign up kids for spring soccer unless they signed up last fall. How utterly ridiculous. If you didn't sign up last fall, you are out of luck, even though there are teams without enough kids. If you just moved to this lovely town, you are also out of luck, because you didn't sign up your kids last fall. Welcome to Andover.

On April 3, I spoke to the president of the soccer program, who before hanging up the phone on me, said "the registrar refuses to budge on sign-

ing up kids within a few weeks of each season, and the board as a group also backs that position." How can we tolerate such absurd rules?

I urge everyone in town to vote "yes" on the additional fields, but to write in that logic and common sense should start to prevail in running this soccer league. Soccer should be for the benefit of the all of the kids who want to play, not for the folks who are more interested in control and silly rules.

David Prawdzik  
18 Avery Lane

## Article 30 fights the good fight

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The proposed natural-gas-fired power plant in Dracut, less than a mile from the Andover border, hit the news more than two years ago. The battle goes on. Article 30 would authorize additional funding to allow the town to continue challenging the proposal.

Andover's ongoing participation has made a significant

difference in the process and outcome to date. However, additional funding is needed to see the process to completion. The town of Andover and the Andover-based Merrimack Valley Residents for the Environment recently jointly appealed the decision of the State Siting Board on grounds of due process and issues surrounding the proposed technologies. Nickel Hill Energy has yet to receive one of its most significant permits, the air permit, which will set air emission and noise levels.

The issues surrounding appropriateness of the siting and the pollution impacts have not changed since the beginning. Nickel Hill is not proposing state-of-the-art pollution control technologies and has yet to adequately address the public health and environmental justice concerns surrounding the siting. Andover is right to be concerned, since the major fallout from this plant will affect the town as a whole. Furthermore, the Merrimack Valley is too over-burdened with pollution to stand by and let in another facility that refuses to be the best it can be.

Article 30 would authorize funding to allow the town to hire the legal and environmental experts necessary to continue to make a difference in this proposal. Without this funding, we may be facing a dinosaur if and when the plant is built. This is not a chance we can afford to take.

Laura Jordan  
21 Inwood Lane

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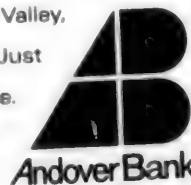
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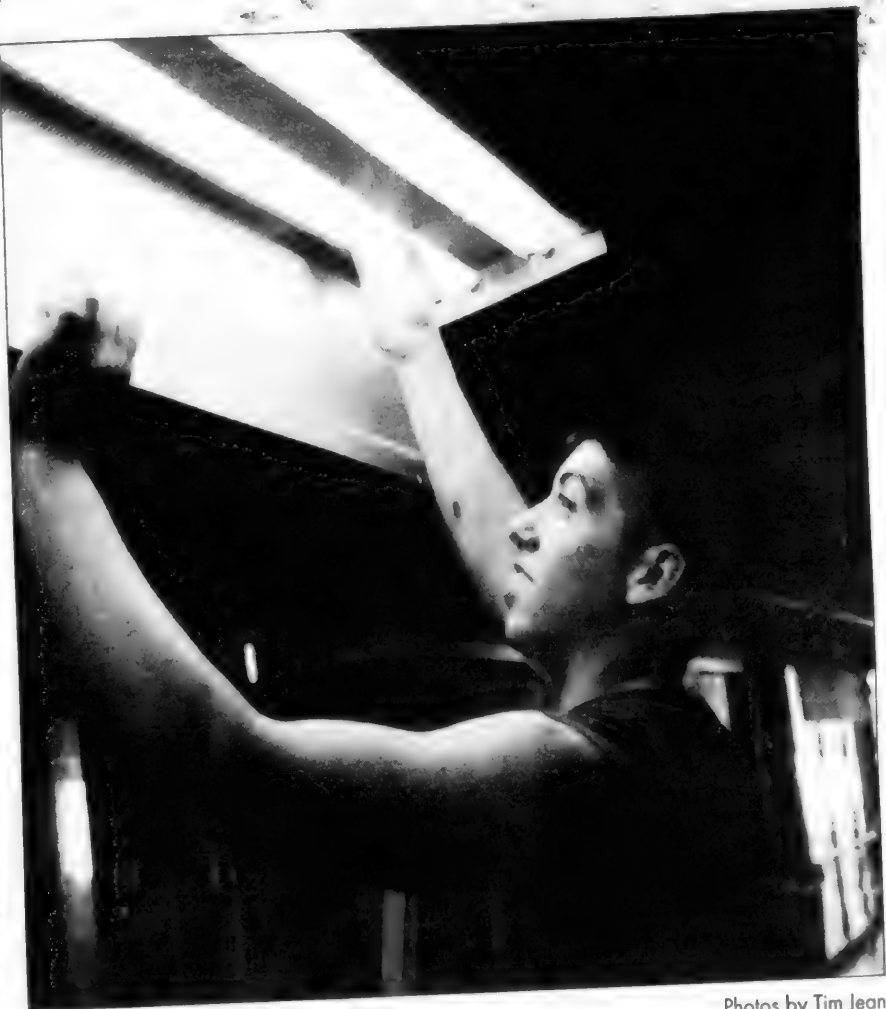
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# Education



Tow them away — Rich Krafton, whose specialty at Greater Lawrence Technical School is auto-body repair, spends his "shop weeks" at Elm Street Automotive Center in Andover. Above, Krafton drops off a towed car.



Photos by Tim Jean

Seeing the light — Rich Krafton, first in his class at the Tech School, replaces a light at his part-time night job, as a custodian at Bancroft.

## Balancing work and school: Tech School senior is first in his class

By Adam Groff

Rich Krafton is like many an overachieving Andover high school student: he has a National Honor Society membership, a 3.9 grade-point average, and a pages-long resume of extracurricular activities and community service. What makes him unusual in Andover is that he's a senior at Greater Lawrence Technical School, with a specialty in auto-body repair.

"Some of these kids (in traditional high school) are going to go to college and then get a dead-end job somewhere like McDonalds or Bradlees," says Krafton, 18. "If you go to a tech school, you can go to college and then have that technical knowledge to fall back on if you don't get a job."

"And you know how to fix stuff yourself," he adds.

Krafton is one of just 13 stu-

dents from Andover in the 1,400-strong GLTS student body. He is following in his father's footsteps. Richard Krafton, of Union Street, graduated from GLTS in 1969 and became an electrician. Now he is an electrical instructor at the school.

Rich Jr., therefore, naturally thought of electrical work when he got to GLTS from Doherty Middle School. However, the first semester exploratory program, in which freshmen spend a week in each of eight programs of their choosing, turned his attention to auto repair.

"I thought I might go into antique-car restoration," says Krafton. These days, however, he is looking to the future of automobiles rather than their past. He will be attending the University of Massachusetts at Lowell this fall, on a full scholarship, as an electrical engi-

neering major, and he wants to work in their renewable energy resource lab.

"I'm hoping to do something with electric cars, or gas/electric hybrids," he says.

Right now, Krafton spends his "shop weeks" at Elm Street Automotive Center in Andover. He, like all GLTS students, alternates weeks between academic classwork and cooperative work in his vocational specialty.

Krafton is pulling off an impressive balance between work and school: when he leaves Elm Street Auto, where he helps out around the shop, he takes up his part-time night job as a custodian at Bancroft Elementary School. He does his homework after his shift ends at 7 p.m. On weekends, he does another 24 straight hours at Elm Street as a tow-truck driver. He gets paid a commission at this job, based on how

many calls he answers. On a very good week, Krafton says that with all three of his jobs, he can earn as much as \$850.

That's not bad for a senior ranked first in his class. Krafton says he's slacked off a bit this year by racking up a couple of B's last semester. But there have been worse cases of senior-itis.

A good bit of Krafton's community service activities have come through his involvement with 4-H, which he describes as a kind of "agricultural Boy Scouts." He is a member of a small 4-H group called the Manetamers, oriented around the care and maintenance of horses, which Krafton's family has kept since he was a boy. The club's efforts are on display each year at the horse show at the Topsfield Fair.

With 4-H, Krafton has participated in all manner of community service, from park

cleanups to helping out in nursing homes to lending a hand at the MSPCA. This year, he was selected to attend the four-day 4-H National Congress in Atlanta, where he met with youths from around the country and participated in forums on issues like youth violence, drug abuse, and race relations.

All in all, Krafton has a high estimation of Greater Lawrence Tech, and he realizes that he is in a small minority in Andover.

"I think it's a shame that more kids from Andover don't go there," he says. "It's one of the best tech schools around. They don't talk about it too much in middle school. Kids don't even consider it. I think there's a misperception of the school. Some people probably don't feel comfortable sending their kids to a school like that, which is too bad."

## Destination ImagiNation finals feature a number of Andover students

What would happen if Steven Spielberg were at a pet show at the Leaning Tower of Pisa, where a Sumo wrestler was showing off his flea circus, and suddenly the fleas picked up the wrestler and carried him off?

In Spielberg-lingo, that's a scene from Destination ImagiNation's Dynamic Improv competition.

And, Andover's got it all wrapped up.

The Massachusetts State Finals for Destination ImagiNation were held March 24 at Worcester Polytechnical Institute and Andover had five teams participating.

"All our teams finished in very respectable places, but two teams fared extremely well," Sherry V. Gor-

don Shulik of Andover wrote in a press release. She is the local regional director for the program.

According to Shulik, the Tech Effects team from South School placed second at the event and it was just their first time competing. Meanwhile, Doherty Middle School's Dnamic Improv team not only are headed to global finals in Knoxville, Tenn., next

month, but won the highest award given in the program, the DiVinci Award.

Problem-solving skills rule the Destination ImagiNation competition. It's a non-profit organization offering a youth-centered, creative problem-solving program. Creativity is emphasized at these events and challenges have

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# SCHOOLTALK

**Andover High School** seniors recently submitted their entries for Senior Safari's SS2001 logo contest, run by AHS art teacher **Jim Batchelder**.

Seniors were excited to vote on which submissions would be used to symbolize their special graduation party for this year. The first-place winner was **Megumi Matsuki**, whose design depicts a gathering of jungle animals in the forest. The second-place honor went to **Kerri Walsh** with her drawing of a cute, artistic, ambidextrous monkey. Third-place winner was **Justin Lorusso** with his cheery musical and jungle animal theme.

The winning logo drawings will adorn official Senior Safari T-shirts given to seniors at the event on Monday, June 4, following graduation, and will also be

featured on the stationery used by planning committee members as well as Senior Safari tickets.

Senior Safari – the all night, substance free graduation party in the AHS field house that features music, dancing, food, games, hypnotists, hand-writing analysis, fortune telling, caricature portraits, hair styling, and more – takes place in the lush tropical setting of an African jungle complete with forest greenery, animal-themed decorations, and stone sculptures.

Volunteers have been busy since the conclusion of the previous year's Safari, repairing decorations and making new ones, planning food and entertainment, and fund-raising to raise money for the exciting but costly event.

Anyone wishing to help in

any capacity with creating decorations, set up or clean up or as a Safari guide (chaperone) during the event itself, or anyone able to make a donation to help defray the cost of the event, should **Mary Jane Dennehy** at 978-409-1333 or <rkdk6@mediaone.net>; or **Cornelia Kessler** at 978-623-7028 or <CorneliaKessler@gmx.de>.

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The **Andover High School Marching Band** will hold a can and bottle recycling drive at **West Middle School** Saturday, May 19, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

If you can't make this date, call band parent **Becky Davidovits** at 978-474-0536. A band member will pick up recyclables at your house.

Donation of your cans and bottles will help the band buy and repair instruments, equipment, and color guard uniforms, and award scholarships to graduating band members.

The marching band and color guard will attend the **Classic Music Festival** from April 27 to

◀ **Recorder performance** – **Bancroft School** third-graders recently demonstrated their recorder skills by performing a concert for the school. Pictured here, front row from left, are **Jacob Peters, Bridgette Dinkel, Celia Lewis, Joanna Choe, and Amanda Wells**.

Photo by Carol Van Doren



Senior Safari's SS2001 logo contest first-place winner was **Megumi Matsuki** (left). Second-place went to **Kerri Walsh** (right), and **Justin Lorusso** (seated) took third.

30 in Annapolis, Md. They will perform and be judged in a parade competition and tour Annapolis, the Naval Academy, and Baltimore Harbor.

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Towing a trailer full of hammers, levels, and other construction tools, 45 **Phillips Academy** students and teachers left Andover for the Sea Islands of South Carolina to spend spring break refurbishing homes.

Collaborating with Rural Missions, the PA group improved five homes on John's Island. The chores included plumbing, painting, and replacing rotting floors. The teens

refurbished the bedroom of a 91-year-old woman by laying a new linoleum floor, painting the walls and ceiling, and installing an insulating storm window.

The trip provided participants with opportunities to learn about helping others. The students from Andover included: **Elizabeth Asch**, '01; **Eric Bakkensen**, '01; **Gregory Booth**, '02; **Rebecca Dann**, '01; **Lindsay Hanna**, '01; **Benjamin Hoerner**, '04; **Christina Kelleher**, '02; **Nadeem Mazen**, '02; **Matthew Rotman**, '01; **Emerson Sykes**, '01; **Alexander Vispoli**, '04; **Taylor Washburn**, '03; and **Rachel Weiner**, '01.



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## WHAT'S UP

### Collins Center to come alive as AHS students get involved with bookings

**First up: A Cappella Nite 2001 on April 28**

By Jeffrey Smidt & Christina Casey  
AHS student reporters

From the main office at Andover High, turn right. Follow the hallway down until you reach a concrete staircase. Take those down to the first floor, and go left. Pass the Andover Community television studio, and head through two sets of double doors.

Where are you now? You're in the lobby of one of the nicest, most state-of-the-art facilities in the state. The carpet you're stepping on is the same that David Copperfield walked on a decade ago before show time. Several sets of paws also walked this ground, as the national touring group for *Cats* performed here. But, the most wear this carpet ever got was probably when the Boston Pops Orchestra played here for an opening night.

Hard to believe? Yes, but it's true. Andover's very own J. Everett Collins Center for the Performing Arts housed such talent. However, somewhere between its opening and Andover's 350th birthday, the number of professional acts has decreased significantly. Today, the Collins Center is used primarily for school events and dance recitals.

But Andover High Principal Peter J. Anderson is looking to change that.

"I see the Collins Center as a very valuable asset to the community," says Anderson.

Anderson is talking about the beginnings of his program; a program which would put kids into the driver's seat at the Collins Center. Anderson envisions the theatre as being student-run, with students booking talent, taking care of finances, and running the auditorium that was built for them.

"Not only can [the Collins Center] provide great entertainment for Andover, but it can also teach kids valuable lessons in the process. Get the Marketing students to publicize an event. Ask Economics to give fiscal reports. Have the TV Studio film it. With help from everyone, we can potentially get this auditorium back on the map."

So, what's step one?

The Student Council at Andover High School has been attempting to breathe some life back into the Collins Center. With the advice and under the direction of advisers Kim Serapiglia, Kate Hansen, and Anderson, the council has been able to book some high-caliber talent to perform at the Collins Center.

First up are, Five O'Clock Shadow and Ball in the House, two of the hottest a cappella groups in the Northeast. They will appear at the Collins Center on Saturday, April 28 at 7 p.m.

"I'm really excited for Five O'Clock Shadow," said Susan Sepich, drama specialist at the high school. "I've seen them many times, and they're so much fun to watch, and even better to listen to. They've never put on even a remotely bad show."

"Ball in the House was great," added AHS student Kristina Araujo.

She was among 12 student council members who went to Cape Cod and met the group Ball in the House and saw them perform.

"They were so fantastic; nice, funny, and they sounded great," added one of Kristina's friends.

A Cappella Nite 2001, as the student council is calling it, is the first in a multitude of steps to get the Collins Center back up onto its feet. The council has designed the evening as a "bring the kids" event. There's even an on-stage duet between Five O'Clock Shadow and the Andover High School Chorus, under the direction of Carol Prasad. The chorus, made up of about 35 students, is anticipating a trip to Orlando, Fla. in early May to sing at Magic Music Days, a celebration of fine arts at Disney World.

"There's so much the community can expect on April 28th," says Anderson. "But, hopefully, it's just the first of lots of wonderful performances to come."

Tickets are \$7 for the general public, \$5 for students, and are available at Strawberry Tree, Main Street, DCS, and from student council and chorus members.

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### Local poet visits West Middle

By Jessie Nitzberg and Meredith Spoto  
HR 107 and 401, West Middle School

Poet Jeff Nathan visited West Middle School's Team Magic for a poetry workshop on Tuesday, March 27.

Nathan lives in Andover and writes funny, lighthearted poems for children and adults alike. During his visit, he gave tips on how to write poetry. He also shared some of his own poetry from his book *There's A Hippo In My Locker*. Later, Nathan and all of the Team Magic students constructed a poem together.

Overall, we learned a lot from him, and found his visit to be very enjoyable. We certainly hope he will visit us again soon.

### 17 Hoppers qualify for Amateur Jump Rope Regionals

By Zara Golden, Andover Hoppers

On Saturday March 3, 17 jumpers from the Andover Hoppers competed in a US Amateur Jump Rope Federation sub-regional competition in Orleans, Mass.

Competing against six other teams from New England in nine events, all 17 Hoppers qualified to attend the Northeast Regional in Marietta, Ohio this spring.

In the two-minute speed relay, where jumpers typically reach well over four jumps per second, Toby Maltz, Jamie Maltz, Lina Lucaci-Vashee, and Becky Agostino came in second place. A second team consisting of Jackie Forster, Julia Newman, Katie Morris, and Briana Gross came in third. In individual one minute speed, Dylan Golden came in fourth in males, ages 12-14. For females 11 and under, Lina came in second, Kelly Rousmanier came in eleventh, and Catherine Gross

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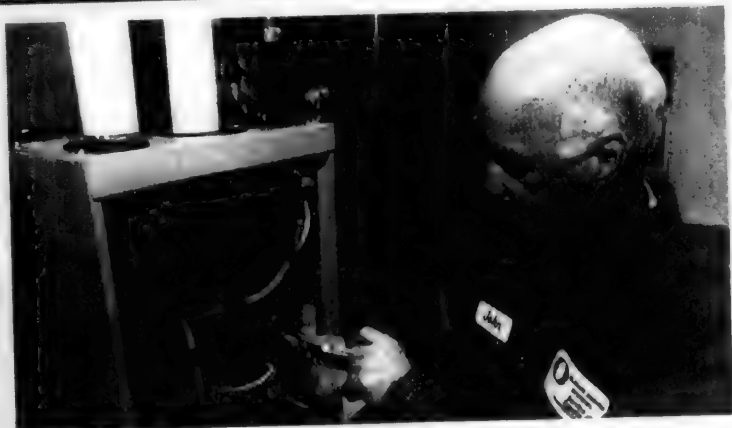
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Left, acting in *Midas and the Golden Touch*, part of the *Marvelous Magical Myths Skits*, are Hans Bardenheuer as the King, and Devin Walsh as the Princess. Center photo: In *Pandora's Box*, Andrea Davis reads to the audience as Simon Ye looks on. Right photo: Visiting author Dinah Moché writes about space for children.

## West Elementary hosts WERAWC – its annual reading, writing conference

West Elementary School recently held its sixth annual readers' and writers' conference, WERAWC. The week began with opening ceremonies, which consisted of six performances by the student council and students at each grade level.

The theme for this year's conference was Space 2001. During the event, the children saw several authors, illustrators and storytellers. Jack Gantos, this year's Newbury award winner, presented four shows to the entire school. Dinah Moché, the "Space Lady" of New York, vis-

ited and shared books on space that she has written.

The entire school heard Leeny Del Seamonds, a storyteller. Jan Reynolds, who has traveled the world, shared adventures from Australia, Antarctica, the Himalayas, and much more. Susan Arcerio, a

talented illustrator, drew for the children and David Heshion, a space scientist, showed the children space suits and presented a wide array of information regarding space travel. Local authors Maureen Wittbold and Patsy Hemion, shared their stories and plays as well.

In addition, more than 1,000 parents came to school to hear their children read their own published books. Each student received an official WERAWC ribbon.

The action-packed week was sponsored by the West Elementary School's parent group.

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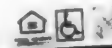
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## Local Destination ImagiNation finalists

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open-ended answers. That way, kids can work together in teams to tackle challenges under the direction of a team manager. Once teams members develop a

solution, they present it in a performance.

Andover High was the site for the regional tournament and more than 130 students from Andover participated in the event, held

March 10.

This was the first year St. Augustine joined with the other Andover schools.

Here are the local students who are taking part in the state finals:

### SOUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Incredible Tech Effects Team (placed second)

Coached by Anne Wein  
Alex Wein  
Nicole Wein  
Carl Jackson  
Katie Knowles  
Erin O'Kelly  
Andrew Wang  
Sam Schreiber (who attends Bancroft School and whose mom was the assistant coach)

### WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL Incredible Tech Effects Team

Coached by Remick Wallace  
Abby Wheelwright  
Nandini Vijayakumar  
Carrie Pettee  
Alyssa Wallace  
Brad Colbert  
Julie Marton  
Andrea Kurpul

### SANBORN SCHOOL Dynamic Improv team

Coached by Ron Lasser and Jeremy Wu  
Alice Wu  
Joseph Terranova  
Jason Lasser  
Steve Lattari  
Andrew Kahan  
Natalie Galmari  
Jullian Himmer

### WEST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Mystery Loves Company team

Coached by Jeff Weiss  
Sarah Christ  
Caroline Gaffney  
Eli Grober  
Robert Martin  
Sam Weiss

### DOHERTY MIDDLE SCHOOL Dynamic Improv team (finalists)

Coached by Gretchen Keohane  
Patrick Keohane  
Kimberly Casey  
Nathan Hass  
Bonnie Domigan

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came in fourteenth. For ages 12-14, Toby came in first, Jamie came in third, Jackie came in fifth, Becky came in eighth and Julia came in tenth. In male three-minute speed, Dylan came in second. In females, Toby came in first, Becky fourth, Lina fifth, Jamie eighth, and Jackie twelfth. In double-dutch speed relay, Toby, Julia and Lina came in fifth, Becky, Liz Creman, and Katie came in sixth, and Katherine Matsamoto, Brianna and Kim Miller came in seventh. In double-dutch pairs speed, Jamie, Toby, Julia and Lina came in third, and Becky, Katie, Liz, and Brennan Casey came in fourth.

In individual freestyle, Lina came in fifth, and Cabrea Casey came in tenth in the female 11 and under division.

In ages 12-14, Jamie came in first, Toby came in eighth, and Becky came in eleventh. In pairs freestyle, Jamie and Brennan came in fifth. In double-dutch freestyle, Becky, Katie and Liz came in third, Toby, Julia and Lina came in seventh, and Katherine, Brianna and Kim came in tenth in the 12-14 age group.

The Hoppers are now preparing to qualify in the Ohio Regional competition.

Those that do move on to the Nationals in Disney World.

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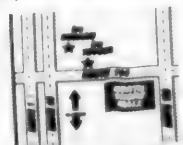
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# News

## Town tests water at local swimming hole

### Dead fish wash ashore at Pumps

By Neil Fater

The town has studied the water at Pumps Pond to determine why several species of fish have died and washed ashore.

Town workers went down to the pond on Tuesday after a resident told them a sewer-main break was killing fish. Public Works Director Jack Petkus says there was no sewer break, but officials took two samples of pond water. The results, available Wednesday, showed no evidence of a sewer break, he says.

Pumps is a local swimming beach at Recreation Park, near the site of the Essex Sand and Gravel Pit. The tests showed Pumps water as having a total chloroform count of 100 or 125, and a fecal chloroform count of 5

or 15. The standards for swimming are 1,000 for total count, and 200 (colonies per 100 ml) for fecal count, so the pond water is well within limits, he says.

"There were 25, maybe 30 dead fish," says Everett Penney, health director. "It appears due to some oxygen imbalance in the pond."

Penney and Petkus say such an imbalance may have been caused by a winter-long ice cap and decaying weeds in the pond. These things could have left too little oxygen for some fish to survive. They also contend that the fish could have died last fall and been trapped in the ice, or that local ice fisherman could have caught the fish during the winter and then thrown them back

into the pond. A virus also might be affecting the fish at Pumps, says Penney.

But a town conservation land overseer had a different explanation for the problem on Tuesday, after meeting with officials.

"It is a sewer-main break," charges Jean Martin, overseer of the 34-acre Pole Hill conservation area. Officials maintain her claim is 100-percent false. "There was a very putrid smell because of the decaying fish," argues Penney.

"It's not the smell of dead fish. It's the smell of a septic system," says Martin.

Petkus says that a public works worker went to the Pond with Martin and saw the pipe

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Photo by Tim Jean

Water worries? — Several different species of fish could be found dead on the shores of Pumps Pond on Tuesday.

## Two oil tanks from old Tyer Rubber building unexpectedly found on site

### Contractor again seeks more time to build safety center

By Rebecca Piro

Construction workers were digging away at the safety-center site last week when they heard a strange clunk. The object hidden beneath the dirt and rubble turned out to be a 2,000-gallon oil tank, larger than the standard vehicle. Workers soon found another tank.

The incident is just one more reason that the town and contractor Mello Construction say they aren't sure about the completion date and the final cost of the safety-center project.

When town officials broke ground last October, they slid their shovels into the soil with promises that the \$12.9 million building would stand completed in September 2002. Since then, Mello has fallen three months behind schedule, according to Plant and Facilities Director Joe Piantedosi. But contractor president Carlos Mello says his firm is closer to two months behind schedule. Mello recently appealed to the town for a time extension of more than two weeks, and the town promptly denied it. Piantedosi says he is being patient with Mello, but is standing firm in regards to the contractual agreement.

"We felt that the delays were caused by him, not some situation he had no control over," says Piantedosi. Mello's reasons for falling behind schedule include the time it took to re-



Photos courtesy of Joe Piantedosi

Construction workers uncovered two 2,000-gallon oil tanks at the site of the new safety center.

locate the utility pole on site, the time it took for the town to sign the contract with Mello, and the weather.

In the past, some town officials have sited specific reasons why they were disgruntled with Mello's performance. When Piantedosi expressed his dissatisfaction in a letter to Mello last January, the contractor promised to have foundations for phase one of the project poured by Feb. 1. That deadline was missed by several weeks. Officials had also questioned

why Mello had so few workers on site. Last week, project manager Phil Tuminelli told the Townsman that "they went from three (workers) to 11." He would still like to see more workers on-site, but adds that "how they get to the end (of the project) is their job."

The two oil tanks that the town removed from the site last week — which Piantedosi believes were used to power boilers for the former Tyer Rubber Co. — should not add extra time to the project's time line, says



Because of the unexpected delay created when the two tanks had to be removed, contractor Mello Construction is seeking more time to build the safety center.

Piantedosi. But Mello disagrees. The town is still waiting for permission from the state Department of Environmental Protection to remove the remaining oil and contaminated soil from the site.

"It's close to two weeks that we have lost as a result of the oil tanks," says Carlos Mello. He believes the incident will convince the town to grant him a time extension.

The removal of the tanks and contaminated soil will probably cost tens of thousands of dollars, Piantedosi says. That cost is covered by the contingency funds the town set aside for such unforeseen incidents, but Piantedosi can't say that the town won't run into another oil

tank, and another one.

"The question is, how many of these are we going to have before the end of the project?" he says.

Then again, if Mello does not complete the project on time, Piantedosi says the town will start charging "liquidated damages" — a fine for every day that the project goes beyond the completion date. The town would deduct a sum that could be anywhere between \$500 and \$1,000 per day from the money paid to Mello for the job.

But Carlos Mello is still hopeful that his workers can make up for lost time during phase two of the project. "It's a tough site," he says. "There's no question about that."



# Redistricting now in different hands

By Adam Groff

The Redistricting Task Force passed its mantle to the School Committee Tuesday, concluding more than six months of wrestling with the 2002 student shuffle. The committee will now take about a month to decide among three elementary and three middle-school redistricting options to fill the new schools under construction.

Two issues stood out in the lengthy meeting of School Committee, task force, and parents: the committee again pressed for advice from the 10-member task force about which options might be better, while the task force stood firm in its determination not to give it; also, the issue of whether the School Committee would consider "tweaking" any of the options was strongly debated but not resolved.

"We think it's very important that we separate ourselves from that," task force head Gerry Gustus when the task force was repeatedly solicited for advice. "The options speak

for themselves."

Gustus and the task force also staked out a position in opposition to any changes in the options the task force has labored so long to produce through an open process.

However, new School Committee Chairman Eric Nadworny wanted the committee to be able to consider input from the public that might lead to changes for the better. "This is an open forum, and we should be open to other options," he said. "We're try-

ing to get to the plan that best meets the criteria, and if there are other plans, we should look at that." The School Committee appeared divided on whether to consider altering any of the options, and did not take a formal position by the end of the meeting.

Maps of the redistricting options are available on the internet at <[www.andover-publicschools.com/District/Redistricting/redistri.htm](http://www.andover-publicschools.com/District/Redistricting/redistri.htm)>, as well as on large printouts at Memorial Hall Library.



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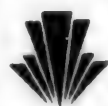
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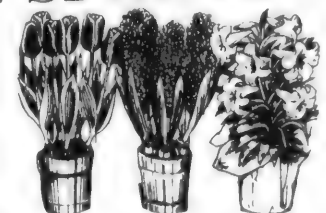
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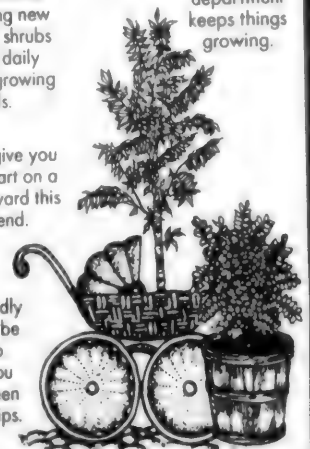
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## Two options for town land: playing fields or 'eco-park' What will town put in the pit?

By Rebecca Piro

Residents have two options regarding the fate of the Essex Sand and Gravel Pit come Town Meeting.

In two weeks, some town officials will ask Town Meeting to support the construction of playing fields in the sand pit. Article 10, a town-sponsored article, proposes that the town build three multi-purpose playing fields in the pit for \$1.1 million of town money, \$500,000 of which the private Andover Soccer Association has promised to reimburse.

Another group will hold a follow-up presentation, in favor of an ecological park, as a second option for residents. Article 11, submitted by resident Tom Jones, proposes that the town create an ecological park for plant and animal wildlife, with complete private funding.

Proposals for the development of the abandoned pit has come before Town Meeting twice before, in 1995 and in 1999. Both times, residents opposed building playing fields at that location.

The two opposing options are a unique situation for Town Meeting. Rarely do residents have the opportunity to choose from more than one alternative at the same Town Meeting for one piece of land.

Proponents for both articles have not come together on the issue. Resident Rich Nill, soc-



Photo by Tim Jean

A dirt trail currently leads into the Essex Sand and Gravel Pit at Recreation Park.

cer association fields coordinator and supporter of Article 10, says the creation of playing fields will not harm the animals that will continue to coexist alongside the construction.

"The wildlife goes there just fine with the playing fields, and very minimal habitat will be disturbed," he says. "There will be a pretty wide buffer area from the wetlands and playing fields."

Nill cites the Ipswich River Park in North Reading as an example of why the playing fields scheme can please residents interested in adding to the available passive and

active recreation area, as well as preserving open space and wildlife.


The Ipswich River Park started four years ago as an empty gravel pit, similar to the Essex pit, says Nill. "The town filled it in with loam and planted it with local plant species, and they have walkways and lots of park benches," he says. The park also has playing fields and other active recreation uses right next to the more protected areas. "They pretty much married the concern for the environment with their own need for playing

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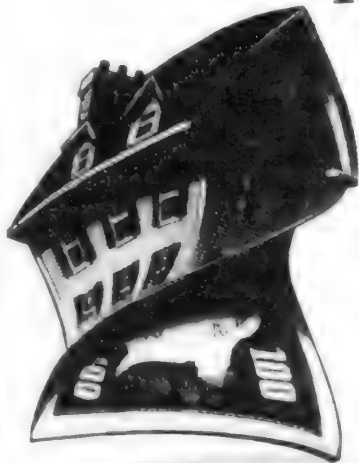
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# Town Meeting could buy Reichhold land

By Rebecca Piro

A handful of town officials floated down the Shawsheen River last Saturday to view the Reichhold Chemical property that the town could elect to buy at Town Meeting.

Supporters of the \$3.6 million purchase need to convince voters that the 46.7 acres of land and waterfront is what the town needs.

None of the proponents deny that the property, polluted by resins Reichhold produced until 10 years ago, is still unclear. Reichhold continues to clean up the site. But the day when the land and water chemical levels meet state requirements is not far away, say supporters. Plus, the Conservation Commission is willing to help buy the land.

Purchasing the Reichhold property

would replenish the rapidly disappearing open space in town, and provide space for active and passive recreation such as playing fields and hiking trails, says former Open Space Committee Chairman Jerry Bird. The town could use the land to create badly needed playing fields for youth sports and store some town-yard equipment. If Andover does not purchase the 46 acres, another developer, who might not have any regard for the environment, could buy the property and erect another industry, warn supporters.

Though the article asks for \$3.6 million, the Conservation Commission has agreed to pay \$1.6 million of the price in exchange for a piece of the land to be protected, says Bird. That would leave the town to come up with a maximum

of \$2 million. However, the \$3.6 million figure is Reichhold's asking price, and the town has not yet begun negotiations, Bird says. Not only is it possible that the town could knock the price down somewhat, but the town won't purchase the land if it's not completely clean within the next few years.

"While the town may commit itself to spending a certain amount of money, no money changes hands until the title is passed and the land is clean," said Conservation Commission Chairman Don Cooper at an earlier presentation. The town will likely hire a consultant to inspect the land for contamination before signing a purchase and sales agreement, adds Bird. The selectmen and the Conservation Commission have recommended approval.

## Town Meeting to decide on Rec Park

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fields in a very positive, constructive way," he adds.

Considering the comparison to the Ipswich River Park concept, Nill believes that his article is not much different from that of Jones. But Jones disagrees. He says he has nothing against the Ipswich River Park concept, which he compares to the town's Recreational Park master plan that failed more than once at previous Town Meetings. However, the wildlife that may or may not coexist alongside the proposed playing fields is not even in the same ballpark as an ecological park, he says.

"It's not like there's something wrong with (the playing fields) idea,"

he says. "It's just that it's not this idea."

The gravel pit is a protected, untouched area that does not have an already fully-developed ecological space, Jones says. It can be molded and shaped into a park that shelters animals like hawks, otters, snakes and foxes, and grows medicinal herbs, plants and trees. Schools could use the park for educational field trips. "This is a place to encounter nature first-hand," says Jones.

The ecological park concept needs the pit - what he calls the "jewel" of the area - for it to work, he adds. "The gravel pit is the nucleus of what is exciting here," he says. "We'd be going from 22 to 25 soccer fields, where we'd

be going from zero to one eco-parks."

The playing fields option has the support of the selectmen and the Conservation Commission, which voted to recommend approval of Article 10. The Finance Committee voted to recommend approval only if the town funds the project through a debt-exclusion.

The fact that Jones' proposal involves no town money, especially during a time of budget-crunching, could help convince voters that his is the best environmental and fiscal choice, he hopes. Though it takes millions to fund an ecological park, he says the town can obtain money from corporate and foundation grants.

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## POLICE LOG

### ARRESTS

Wednesday, April 4 - At 3:22 p.m., Philip Lewis, 41, of 15 Glen-non Ave., Dracut, was arrested and charged with driving after his license was suspended and giving a false name to a police officer.

At 5:21 p.m., Calvin Norris, 38, of 8 Brookfield St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with illegally possessing a Class D substance and driving after his right to drive was revoked. Robert Heath, 46, of 39 Greenville St., Haverhill, was also arrested and charged with illegally possessing a Class D substance.

At 10:16 p.m., Brian McCue, 33, of 450 Franklin St., Reading, was arrested and charged with a second offense of driving under the influence of alcohol, violating a flashing red light and failing to drive within marked lanes.

Friday, April 6 - At 2:20 a.m., Shaun Jones, 32, of 635 Arlington St., Dracut, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol.

Saturday, April 7 - At 4:30 a.m., Michael Pagliuca, 26, of 56 Haigh Ave., Salem, N.H., was arrested and charged with a second offense of driving under the influence of alcohol and failing to stay within marked lanes.

At 7:56 a.m., Gretchen Kauppi-la, 23, of 51 Norcross St., was arrested and charged on a warrant for concealing her identity, driving an unregistered vehicle and

driving without a license.

At 1:06 p.m., William Dowling, 47, of 32 South St., Leominster, was arrested and charged with receiving a stolen vehicle, driving after his right to drive was revoked, illegally attaching plates to a vehicle and driving an uninsured and unregistered vehicle.

Monday, April 9 - At 7:13 a.m., Julian Roman, 36, of 183 Parker St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged on a warrant for assault and battery.

Tuesday, April 10 - At 5:22 p.m., police arrested a 13-year-old Andover female and charged her with assault and battery on a family member.

### INCIDENTS

Wednesday, April 4 - At 9:02 a.m., a caller from Fiske Street reported a dog bite.

At 9:07 a.m., a caller from Andover High School reported an assault that had happened in the school's lobby.

At 10:02 a.m., a caller from Chestnut Street reported a lost clarinet.

At 3:35 p.m., a caller reported that a child was throwing pennies out of a school bus in the area of Old Andover Village.

At 8:47 p.m., a Colonial Drive resident reported that she saw a male open the door to her vehicle. She went outside and asked what he was doing, and the male replied that he was trying to retrieve

something from a friend's car, and he had gone to the wrong vehicle. An officer who responded to the woman's phone call said he thought the male truly made a mistake.

At 9:55 p.m., a Shadow Lane resident reported that she had misplaced her wallet between Burger King in North Andover and Glory in Andover.

Thursday, April 5 - At 10:06 a.m., an Andover Country Lane resident reported that a contractor in the area has two unleashed rottweilers. The dogs were leashed when some officers arrived at the scene, and the officers advised the owner that the dogs should be leashed at all times. The officers determined that the dogs were bull mastiffs, not rottweilers.

Friday, April 6 - At 8:47 a.m., a West Hollow resident reported that someone had taken his mail and thrown it all over the street.

At 9:44 a.m., a person reported that there was a male walking around nude on Harold Parker Road.

At 10:46 a.m., a caller reported that a young person was putting rocks on the train track near Dundee Park.

At 2:52 p.m., the fire department responded to Post Office Avenue when a caller reported smelling smoke. The caller claimed that a young person had used a stink bomb outside.

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## Town upset it wasn't notified of case IRS worker dies from Legionnaires'

By Adam Groff

The Andover Internal Revenue Service facility on Lowell Street is having its building tested after an employee died of Legionnaires' disease on April 2.

The employee, Richard Gill, 67, of Salem, N.H., was one of hundreds of seasonal employees at the facility, according to IRS spokesperson Brenda Wilson.

"We don't believe he contracted (the disease) here," said Wilson, "but to calm our employees' fears, the IRS is having a bacteriologist come in to investigate."

Legionnaire's disease is a relatively rare form of pneumonia caused by bacteria that are found in water, and are efficiently spread via water vapor in large central air-conditioning systems, according to a Massachusetts Department of Public Health fact sheet.

The disease is not transmitted from person to person, and no one else at the IRS facility is known to have it. Wilson also said that this past Monday, managers in all departments met with their employees to discuss the basic facts of the disease.

However, Andover Health Director Everett Penney, who said he read about the incident in a newspaper on Saturday, is not pleased with the



Photo by Tim Jean

Although a worker at the Andover Internal Revenue Service building died from a rare disease, the IRS says it believes the man did not contract the disease there. The building is being tested as a precaution.

agency's response. He said that the case was first reported to the New Hampshire Department of Public Health, which eventually notified the Massachusetts DPH, whom Penney called on Monday.

"Any other industry would have reported this to the state department of public health, and we would have known about it," said Penney, who does not have jurisdiction over the federal facility. "I'm not getting the level of communication from the administration (at the Andover IRS) that I would get from other industries locally. This is

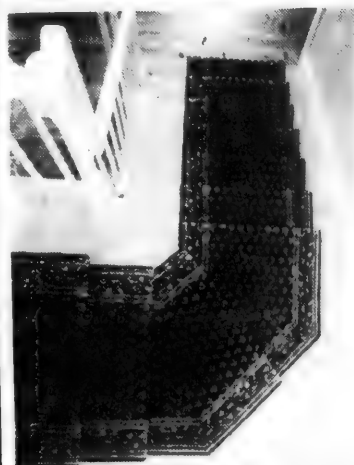
their busy season, and a lot of Andover people work there. It's a sad situation when I have to learn about it through the media."

Wilson said that as many as 4,000 people are employed at the Andover IRS during tax season, almost twice as many as during the rest of the year.

Legionnaires' disease is named for a 1976 outbreak of the disease at an American Legion Convention in Philadelphia that killed 29 people and led to the identification of the bacteria that cause it.

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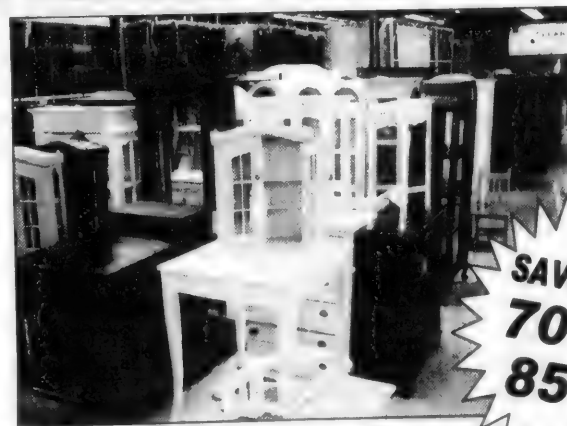
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# POLICE LOG

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Saturday, April 7 - At 9:13 a.m., a person came to the station to drop off a wallet found in the Hitchcock Farm Road area.

At 1:02 p.m., a Sunset Rock Road resident reported that his mail had been tampered with.

At 3:03 p.m., a female came to the station to report a domestic incident.

At 9:36 p.m., a resident of Appletree Lane reported that she had come home to find her door ajar. She thought she might have left it open by accident, but she requested that an officer check the house with her.

The officer did not find anything suspicious.

At 10:06 p.m., a caller reported that she had left her purse outside of Grassfields restaurant. When she returned for it, the purse, which contained \$40 and a credit card, was gone. An officer was not able to find the purse.

Sunday, April 8 - At 12:09 p.m., a Juniper Road resident reported that someone took his mail out of his mailbox and tossed it in the street.

At 2:04 p.m., a Wild Rose Drive resident called to report a dead animal. The animal

control officer reported to the scene, but did not pick up the animal because "all that was left of the animal was a little fur," according to the log.

At 2:30 p.m., a caller reported some people driving dirt bikes in Recreational Park. An officer told the people that dirt bikes are not allowed on that property.

Monday, April 9 - At 1:43 p.m., a caller reported that someone was trying to dump a refrigerator in a cemetery on Corbett Street.

At 2:50 p.m., a Colonial Drive resident reported a large blast that shook the house. An officer could not find evidence of any blast.

Tuesday, April 10 - At 12:26 p.m., a Sheffield Circle resident reported that a

person pulled the mail out of her mailbox, looked at it and then put it back in.

At 5:07 p.m., a motorist reported that some wild turkeys were causing a traffic problem on Route 125. An officer determined that the turkeys have roosted by the road. "There really is nothing we can do," according to the log.

## BREAKS

Monday, April 9 - At 9:57 a.m., the owner of the Andover Hockey Shop reported that someone had tried to break into the store sometime the previous night.

At 11:49 a.m., a caller reported that the Shawsheen Luncheonette had been broken into the previous night. A detective took fingerprints of the restaurant.

## THEFTS

Wednesday, April 4 - At 7:05 a.m., a caller from Doyle Lumber reported an attempted theft of building materials.

Thursday, April 5 - At 11:51 a.m., a person from Bancroft School reported a stolen or lost violin.

At 4:50 p.m., an employee from the Marriott Courtyard Hotel reported that last Sunday a customer used a stolen credit card to pay for his room. The employee had a copy of the person's license to give to police.

At 4:58 p.m., an employee at Cellular One reported the theft of two phones from her store.

Friday, April 6 - At 3:53 p.m., a person reported that he had received a bad check for services given at a day care.

At 6:08 p.m., a person reported forged checks that were cashed at Market Basket.

Sunday, April 8 - At 9:03 a.m., a Chestnut Street resident reported the theft of some jewelry.

Tuesday, April 10 - At 9:02 a.m., a caller from Greater Lawrence Technical School reported a theft.

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## Pomps water

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Encouraging writers with promise to enter the world of books

By Rebecca Piro

Andover Bookstore's Julie Carlson calls herself a book person. She's surrounded by volumes upon volumes at work every day, and she returns home at night to compose her own poetry. That's why she jumped at the chance to be part of an event for young authors, called the Promising Writers Conference.

"I had goose bumps talking to (co-founder Barbara Mellin), because it's such a great idea," says Carlson.

Twenty high-school seniors from the Boston area attended the conference yesterday, Wednesday, at the Federal District Courthouse in Boston for the chance to meet famous and local authors, as well as share their own writing with each other. The conference is part of ArtsFirst, a program intended to "encourage youth in all of the arts, by providing them with a venue to display or perform their art," says Mellin.

The students who were chosen by their respective schools to attend the writing conference — a maximum of two from each school, to keep the conference intimate — are individuals who have expressed a strong desire to explore what it's like to be an author, says Carlson. Among other things, this conference is intended to give them that glimpse and encouragement to follow their dreams.

"(Mellin) wanted to have a time

where the students would feel special and rewarded," says Carlson. "They can get a glimpse into a writer's life and what it is really like."

"When I was in high school I attended a conference similar to this," says Mellin. "That was such a rewarding experience for me... to hear the speakers, but also the fact that they treated us seriously, as potential writers."

Carlson, who takes poetry classes herself, says writing is a learning process. She also believes that promising students deserve the extra push that they may not always receive at school or home.

"So often in public schools, there isn't the time or the money for it," she says. "This just gives them a little taste of what a writer's life is, and the possibilities."

Andover High School did not respond to Mellin's letter regarding student writers, but the school is sending students to the other facets of the ArtsFirst program, such as the music and art conferences, she says.

Carlson has spent much time contacting the authors who will appear at the conference, such as Andover poet Michael Casey, author and Pushcart Prize recipient David Rivard and Merrimack Valley author Jane Brox.

Though Carlson is taking time out of her busy schedule as events coordinator and book-buyer for

*'These kids are writers. They already know they want to be writers, but I guess we're hoping they will encourage other kids.'*

— Julie Carlson (at left)

Photo by Tim Jean



the Andover Bookstore, she says it's worth it, "if you can even change a few kids' lives."

Carlson moderated a discussion panel of authors at Wednesday's conference, where the students had the opportunity to question the authors.

"Authors just seem so abstract until you actually meet them," says Mellin. "They learn that (the authors) are building on their personal experiences, similar to the ones that the students are having now, that will lead them to be authors in the future."

This is the first year for ArtsFirst conferences, says Carlson. Though the conference is especially small, she hopes that kids will spread the word, and more schools will respond next year.

"These kids are writers. They already know they want to be writers, but I guess we're hoping they will encourage other kids," she says.

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April 11, 7 p.m.  
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April 18, 7 p.m.  
**Poetry in Motion** directed by Ron Mann, 1982

April 25, 7 p.m.  
**Hanuman Presents!** (plus a special feature on a unique Beat poem), both directed by Vincent Katz and Vivien Bittencourt, 1999

**POETRY READING: ROBERT CREELEY AND VINCENT KATZ**  
Sunday, April 29, 1 p.m., Addison Gallery

Come to enjoy the unique voices of two well-recognized poets of different generations. Reception and discussion to follow.

These programs, which are free and open to the public, were organized in conjunction with the exhibition Alex Katz: Small Paintings, at the Addison Gallery of American Art, through July 31.

### EVENTS COMING UP

#### Poets at Andover Bookstore

Poets Bruce Smith and Chard deNiord will read at the Andover Bookstore on Thursday, April 19 at 7 p.m.

Smith was a poet-in-residence at Phillips Academy and his new book, *The Other Lover*, was nominated for a National Book Award last year.

He teaches in the graduate writing program at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa and is the author of three other books.

deNiord is the author of *Asleep in the Fire* and a professor at Providence College. He is also the director of the MFA program at New England College.

A Yale divinity graduate, he served as chaplain at Andover summer session.

For more information, call 800-491-0143.

#### Artists discussion set at Merrimack College

The McCoy Gallery at Merrimack College presents **LANDSCAPE 2001**, an exhibition of work by six artists through April 25.

The artists include Maureen Ahern of New Hampshire, Brigitte Keller of Maine and Thea Paneth of Boston.

With the exception of Erick Hufschmid, a photographer, all works are paintings. Each presents a distinctive take on the landscape, both stylistically and functionally.

A panel discussion with the artists is set for Wednesday, April 18 at 7:30 p.m. It will be held at the gallery, located in the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College.

For more information, call 978-837-5000.

#### Celtic fiddler to perform

One of Celtic music's most dynamic performers, Natalie MacMaster, will perform at the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College on Thursday, April 19 at 8 p.m.

Organizers say foot-tapping rave-ups and heart-rending waltzes, along with a bit of step-dancing and good old-fashioned storytelling, are on tap for the show.

MacMaster, who is from Cape Breton, is touring the U.S. and Canada. Several shows are sold out.

MacMaster's awards include six East Coast Music Awards, including the 1999 "Female Artist of the Year" award. She's also taken home a 1999 Juno Award for "Best Instrumental Album," and two Canadian Country Music Awards, as "Fiddler of the Year" in 1997 and 1998.

For tickets, call Rogers Center Box Office, Monday to Friday, at 978-837-5355.



# EVENTS CALENDAR

**THURSDAY, APRIL 12**  
**Living Last Supper**, 7:30 p.m., West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road; Jan Litchfield 978-470-1609.  
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cultural School, Rte. 62, Danvers; Dan Tremblay 978-777-2711.  
**Live music**, Trio Deluxe w/Johnny A., 8 p.m., Palmer's Restaurant, 18 Elm St.; 978-470-1606.  
**Live comedy**, 8 p.m., Tony V., call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road, Andover; 978-687-2442.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 13**  
**42nd Street**, Colonial Chorus Players, 8 p.m., \$14, \$10 students,

seniors, Volpe National Transportation Systems Center, Kendall Square, corner of 3rd Street, Cambridge; 781-944-9780, <www.colonialchorus.com>.  
**Storyteller John Porcino**, 9:30 a.m., ideal for pre-schoolers, Tewksbury Public Library, Tewksbury; Judi 978-640-4490, Ext. 204.  
**Live music**, Acoustic Alligators, 9 p.m., Palmer's Restaurant, 18 Elm St.; 978-470-1606.  
**Live music**, Monica

Hatch, vocals, Phil Porter, piano, 8 p.m., no cover, PorterHouse Restaurant, 100 Washington St., Haverhill; 978-373-5100.  
**Live comedy**, 9 p.m., Rosie's Bachelorette Party, call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road, Andover; 978-687-2442.  
**Live comedy**, 9:30 p.m., Marci Coyote Rose, Greg Boggis, Bari Lee, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125,

North Andover; 781-938-8088.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 14**  
**Easter Egg Hunt**, for ages pre-school to 9, 10:30 a.m.-noon, Marland Place, 15 Stevens St.; reservations required 978-475-4225.  
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**Live folk music**, with Lucy Kaplansky, Crossroads Coffeehouse, 8 p.m., \$14, North Parish Church, North Andover; 978-687-3960. ▶  
**Murder at the Stevens Estate**, dinner and show, \$55, Stevens Estate, 732 Osgood St., North Andover; 800-697-2583.

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**Book fair**, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Hale Hospital lobby, 140 Lincoln Ave., Haverhill.

**Live comedy**, 8 p.m., Bob Gautreau, Dave Russo, Pat Napoli, call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road, Andover; 978-687-2442.

**Live comedy**, 9:30 p.m., Marci Coyote Rose, Greg Boggis, Bari Lee, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

**Live music**, Fast Eddy, 9 p.m., Palmer's Restaurant, 18 Elm St.; 978-470-1606.

**42nd Street**, see April 13 entry.

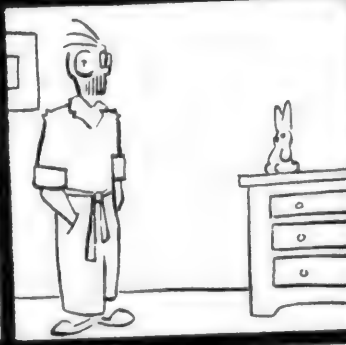
**Live music**, Kathleen Kolman, vocals, PorterHouse Restaurant, see April 13 entry.

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## TUESDAY, APRIL 17

**Jazz**, The Jon Wheatley Quartet, 7:30-10:30 p.m., \$5 cover, Casa Vecchia, Rte. 97, Salem, N.H.; (603) 893-6553.

**Archaeological talk**, sponsored by the Northeast Chapter of the Massachusetts Archaeology Society and Robert S. Peabody Museum, with speaker Dr. Jack Dempsey, 7:30 p.m., free, Robert S. Peabody Museum, Phillips Academy; 978-475-7648.

**Politics lecture**, featuring Democratic National Committee Chair Terry McAuliffe, 7:30 p.m., free, Cascia Hall, Merrimack College; 978-837-5189.

**Garden workshop**, 7:30 p.m., \$5, Smith Hall, Essex Agricultural School, Rte. 62, Danvers; Dan Tremblay 978-777-2711.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

**Senior recital**, featuring clarinetist Sophia Walter and harpist Tara Rachakonda, 6:30 p.m., free, Graves Hall, Phillips Academy; 978-749-4263.

**Information meeting**, American Cancer Society's Relay for Life Rally, 6-7 p.m., Andover Wyndham, 123 Old River Road; 978-462-0571.

**Artists discussion**, on landscape art, 7:30 p.m., McCoy Gallery, Merrimack College; 978-837-5189.

**Lecture**, "Interfaith Humor: A History," with Jonathan Sarna, free, Cascia Hall, Merrimack College; 978-837-5189.

**Kids concert**, with Rick Goldin, sponsored by Merrimack Montessori, 11 a.m., \$3, Haverhill City Hall auditorium, Haverhill; 978-374-6103.

**The Proper Bostonians**, with actress Judy

Bernstein, 9:30 a.m., free, Memorial Hall Library; 978-623-8400.

**Portrait night**, Merrimack Valley Camera Club, 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; 978-689-9643.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 19

**Celtic fiddler Natalie MacMaster**, 8 p.m., Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College; 978-837-5355.

**Poetry reading**, with Bruce Smith, Chard deNiord, 7 p.m., Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St.; 800-491-0143.

**Author reading**, Pierce Butler of *A Riddle of Stars*, 7:30 p.m., free, Tewksbury Public

Library, 300 Chandler St., Tewksbury; 978-640-4490.

**Live comedy**, 8 p.m., Tom Briscoe, call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road, Andover; 978-687-2442.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 20

**Rodeo**, Northern Ballet Theater (formerly Granite State Ballet), 8 p.m., \$16, \$12 seniors, Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College; 978-837-5355.

**42nd Street**, Colonial Chorus Players, 8 p.m., \$14, \$10 students, seniors, W.S. Middle Parker Middle School, 45 Temple St., Reading; 781-944-9780, <www.colonialchorus.com>.

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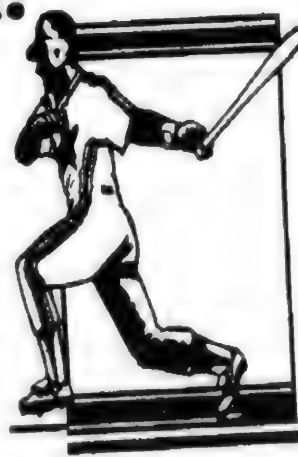
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**Story swap**, with storyteller Theo Paige, 7 p.m., free, Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St.; 978-475-0143.

**Live music**, Steve Marvin, vocals, Phil Porter, piano, 8 p.m., no cover, PorterHouse Restaurant, 100 Washington St., Haverhill; 978-373-5100.

**Live comedy**, 9:30 p.m., Kevin Knox, Mike Cote, Jay Savage, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom,

Rte. 125, North Andover; 781-938-8088. **Live comedy**, 8 p.m., Rocco and Rosie's comedy wedding, call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road, Andover; 978-687-2442.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 21**

**A Tribute to Gershwin**, with Lynn Jackson and Mike Palter, 7 p.m., \$25, \$20, Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road; 978-683-6711.

**Artist reception**, for David Kupferman, 2-5 p.m., Alpers Fine Art, 2 Main St.; 978-470-0013.

**Furball Auction**, benefits Merrimack River Feline Society, 6-11 p.m., \$15, Elks Lodge, 25 Low St., Newburyport;

978-462-0760.

**Photography collectibles**, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., \$5, sponsored by the Photographic Historical Society of New England, Waltham High School, Totten Pond Road, Waltham; 617-965-0807.

**Overeaters Anonymous information meeting**, 10 a.m.-noon, free, First United Methodist Church, Wesley Hall, 57 Peters St., North Andover; 978-667-9998.

**Live music**, with Jack Williams on acoustic guitar, 7:30 p.m., \$10, New Moon Coffeehouse, Jct. Rtes. 110, 125, Haverhill; 978-373-9259, <www.newmoon-coffeehouse.org>.

**Live comedy**, 9:30 p.m., Kevin Knox, Mike Cote, Jay Savage, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

**Live comedy**, 8 p.m., Mike Donovan, Tom Clark, Rob Steen, call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road, Andover; 978-687-2442.

**42nd Street**, 2 p.m., see April 20 entry.

**Broadway Spectacular!**, see April 14 entry.

**Live music**, Jackie Chambers, vocals, PorterHouse Restaurant, see April 20 entry.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 22**

**2.5-mile hike**, sponsored by Andover Appalachian Mountain Club, around Lake Quannopowitt, Wakefield, meet at 1:30 p.m. at front door of Lord Wakefield Hotel; Dave Milot 978-682-8924.

**Opening reception**, *The 3rd Dimension in Prints*, 2-4 p.m., Brush Art Gallery, 256 Market St., Lowell; 978-459-7819, <go.boston.com/brushartgallery>.

**Martyrs' Day**, observed by the Armenian Genocide Commemorative Committee of Merrimack Valley, 3 p.m., West Middle School, Shaw-shen Road.

**Live comedy**, 8 p.m., Tom Briscoe, call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road, Andover; 978-687-2442.

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Jackson and Palter are jazz and cabaret artists who perform music from the Great American Song Book. Jackson plays piano, while Palter is on the acoustic bass. They give a loving tribute to Gershwin's sublime refrains and romantic melodies, organizers said.

The event takes place Saturday, April 21, at Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road. A wine and cheese reception starts at 7 p.m. The performance begins at 8.

Tickets are \$25 per person, and \$20 for seniors. Patron and sponsor rates are available, for \$100 and \$250, respectively.

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## EVENTS CALENDAR LISTINGS

museum galleries: 1789 Johnson Cottage, an artisan's home and workshop, and 1715 Parson Barnard House, depicting life from 1715-1830, 179 Osgood St. changing exhibits highlight local life from the 17th to the 20th century, library and archive, \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2 seniors, Johnson Cottage, tours Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m., \$5 adults for a combined tour of both properties; 978-686-4035. American Textile History Museum, ongoing *Textiles in America* exhibition, special exhibitions and events, function rooms, catering, museum store and Seasoned Chef Gazebo Cafe; hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday, and most

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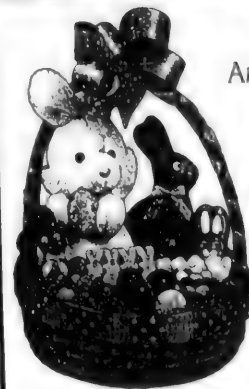
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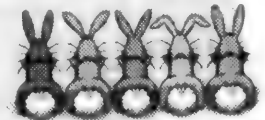
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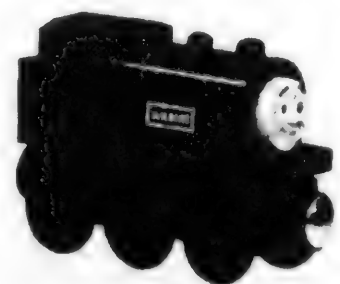
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# Living

## Locals running 26.2 miles Monday, from Hopkinton to Boston

By Adam Groff

**T**uesday may be tax day, but about 30 Andover residents will be paying their dues on Monday, by running in the 105th Boston Marathon.

They range in age from 23 to 57, and in experience from novice to veteran.

The veteran with perhaps the most experience, and the highest profile, is Boston Marathon Race Director Dave McGillivray, formerly of Andover but now residing in Middleton.

"We're into the execution phase here," said McGillivray on Tuesday, less than a week before the race. "When you're inside that window, it's relentless."

McGillivray is relentless, too. A professional sports event coordinator, he is known locally for directing the Feaster Five race each year. He ran his first Boston Marathon when he was 17, and he has run it every year since then; this year will be his 30th Boston Marathon, and his 109th marathon altogether.

McGillivray was first hired as technical director of the 26.2-mile race by the Boston Athletic Association in 1988, and this year his title was changed to race director. How does he direct the race and run it? He starts running after everyone else is finished.

"Basically, I've been the last finisher for the past 14 years," said McGillivray.

At the other end of the experience spectrum is State Rep. Barry Finegold, who started training for this, his first marathon, six months ago.

"I was doing the Feaster Five every year (a five-kilometer race), and then I did a five-mile race, and I thought, 'I'm doing pretty good,'" said Finegold. "I had some friends who ran the Boston Marathon, and I thought I'd give it a try. There's nothing that tests your inner strength like running long distances."

But, added Finegold, "I'm not going to be breaking any world records."

Phillips Academy English teacher and cross-country coach Jonathan Stableford, 56, may not break any world records either, and he may be at the upper end of the age spectrum, but he has the lowest bib number of this year's Andover Boston

Marathoners. Bib numbers correspond roughly to participants' qualifying times, and in a gaggle of over 16,000 people, Stableford's 2100 isn't bad. This will be his 20th Boston Marathon, and he hopes to stay within his remarkably consistent finishing times, between 2 hours 46 minutes and just under 3 hours.

How long does Stableford expect to keep running marathons?

"Until it stops being fun," he said.



Barry Finegold



John Filbin

### Running for charity

In addition to filling thousands of individuals each year with the rush of personal achievement, the Boston Marathon is a huge boon to charitable organizations, which raise millions of dollars per year through marathon teams.

One of the most prominent is the Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge (DFMC), an approximately 300-person team that raises more than \$2 million per year for cancer research.

Along with Tara Bachner, Roy Dennehy, and Marie Barron, Bonnie Unger of Acorn Drive is a zealous Andover member of the DFMC. However, she is not running in this year's race, which was to be her first.

Unger lost her father and grandfather to cancer, and her marathon-running husband Ken motivated her to give the race a try, so she started training last year.

"In September, I ran a 25K race, and one week later I ran a 10K. My times were great," said Unger. "But my body said, 'Wait a minute, Bonnie.'"

Unger had developed ITB Syndrome, named for the iliotibial band, a ligament that runs from the top of the hip down to the knee. Then, her kneecap started moving out of place.

"I tried every avenue, but I had to give it up by Thanksgiving," she said. However, Unger remained determined to contribute to the Dana Farber team. She continued her fundraising efforts, with her 5-year-old daughter Julia helping to stuff envelopes, and Unger's total is now over \$10,000.

Unger, whose leg may require surgery, already has her eye on next year's race.

"My goal is to become a fixture on the Dana-Farber team," she said. "It's not about running, it's about helping."

Anne Skelton is helping by running specifically for pediatric cancer, on the Massachusetts General Hospital for Children team. Skelton graduated from Andover High School in 1986, and now lives in Cambridge and works in marketing. This is her third Boston Marathon, and for all three she has been on the MGH team.

"I had always wanted to run the Boston Marathon," said Skelton, "and I wanted to run for charity."

The 60 members of the MGH for Children team have the option of pairing up with a "patient partner," and Skelton's partner is six-year-old Tommy Doran of Salem, whose leukemia is in remission. "He's a wonderful kid," said Skelton. "At mile 20, all the kids are waiting for us. It's great."

John Filbin of Oriole Drive is a senior vice president at Nordblom Co., a real-estate company, and this will be his eighth Boston Marathon, but his first for charity. He was recruited by another Andoverite, Steve James of Holt Road, to run for Thompson Island Outward Bound, a branch of the confidence-building pro-

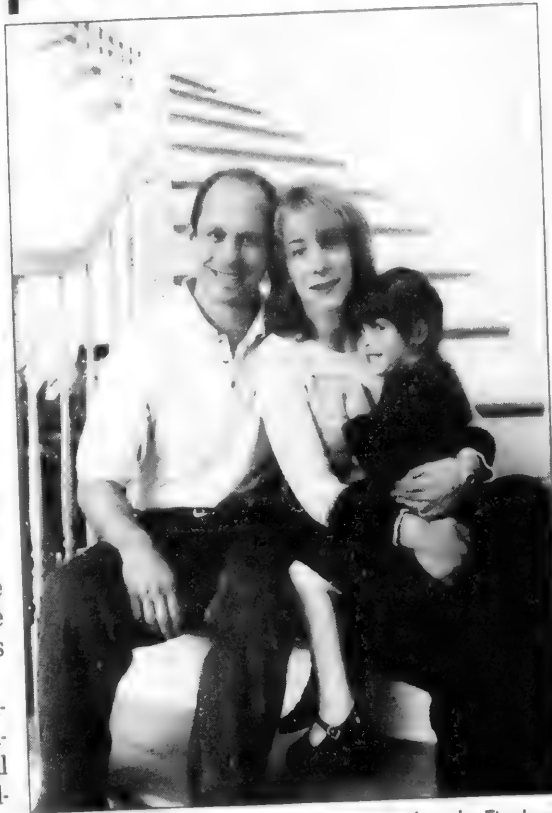


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**Bonnie Unger of Acorn Drive, surrounded by two of her most enthusiastic supporters - husband Ken and daughter Julia - raised money for the Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge despite an injury that will have her on the sidelines of Monday's race.**

gram that serves Boston youth. James is also a senior vice president at another real-estate company, Hunneman Commercial Co. The 15-person team of business professionals from the Greater Boston area raise at least \$2,500 each for the program every year.

"It's been good to finally put my marathoning to work for a good cause," said Filbin.

Evan Teplow of Magnolia Avenue, a family doctor at Greater Lawrence Community Health Center, is running individually this year, but he ran for Thompson Island Outward Bound last year.

"I did Outward Bound myself 20 years ago," said Teplow. "It's a great program."

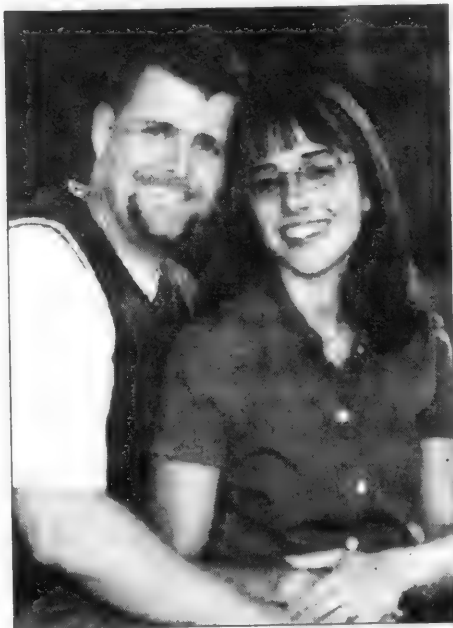


In last Friday's Andover Spelling Bee, Bancroft Spellcasters (left photo) fell to eventual champs, Team Doherty (right photo). The Spellcasters (Norah McCarthy, Meryl Holber, Marianne Merritt and Bonnie Guerin) did not have an inexhaustible knowledge - that's the word that knocked them out. Finalists the Western Stars (center, including Kerri Costello, Vicki Sims, Jim Redmond, and Mike Byrne) lived up to their name, accepting the trophy from Jerry Silverman for best school team. The winning team (right photo) includes Elaine Elliott, Terry Palardy, Leslie Silverstein, and Norma Villarreal.

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## ENGAGEMENTS



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### Roubian-Narva

Mr. and Mrs. David Sollars and Mr. Edward Roubian of Chelmsford announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Marie Roubian, to Kern Edwin Narva Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Kern Narva Sr. of Rutland.

The future bride graduated from Chelmsford High School and the University of Massachusetts with a BS in marketing. She is employed as an implementation project manager at BeFree Inc. in Marlborough.

Her fiancé graduated from Wachusett Regional High and WPI with a BS in engineering. He is employed as a professional services engineer at Courion Corp. in Framingham.

The couple plan a May 5 wedding.

### Pool-Calnon

Thomas and Christine Pool of Atkinson, N.H., formerly of Andover, announce the engagement of their daughter, Caroline Christine, to Christopher Michael Calnon of South Pasadena, Calif.

Ms. Pool is an assistant vice president of General Cologne Reinsurance Co. in Los Angeles.

Her fiancé, son of Robert and Joan Calnon of San Gabriel, Calif., is a senior underwriter for American International Group, in its Los Angeles office.

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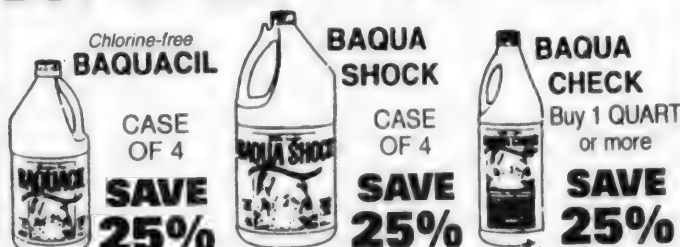
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## OBITUARIES

### Mary E. Connor Andover native had 17 great-grandchildren

Mary E. (Darby) (Barry) Connor, 85, of Andover, died Friday, April 6 at Mariner Healthcare Center in Methuen.

Born in Andover, Mrs. Connor was a member of St. Augustine Church.

She was the widow of John J. Barry and Joseph W. Connor.

Members of her family include sons and their wives, Michael T. and Karen Barry of Green Bay, Wis., John J. and Mary C. Barry of Andover, and Edward "Mickey" and Joyce Connor of Lawrence; daughter-in-law, Evelyn Connor of Weare, N.H.; sister, Catherine Merrill of Andover; 12 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She was mother of the late William J. Connor of Weare, N.H., who died last month [see following obituary] and Cornelia (Barry) Pearson.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St.

Memorial contributions may be made to Andover Senior Center, 1 Whittier Court, Andover, 01810.

### William J. Connor Master electrician was formerly of Andover

William J. Connor, 58, of Weare, N.H. and formerly of Andover, died Saturday, March 24 at Lahey Clinic in Burlington.

Mr. Connor was born in Lawrence. He was a master electrician at the Veterans Administration Hospital of Manchester, N.H.

He was a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. He served as a member of the Board of Fire Wardens of Weare, and as a lieutenant with the Goffstown (N.H.) Call Fire Department.

He was also a former Scoutmaster with Boy Scout Troop 99 of Goffstown.

Members of his family include his wife, Evelyn M. Connor; sons, William J. Connor of Goffstown, Christopher S. Connor of Hooksett, N.H., Robert E. Connor of Weare, N.H. and Daniel J. Connor of Los Angeles, Calif.; a daughter, Heather Castaneda of Manchester; brothers, Edward M. "Mickey" Connor of Lawrence, John J. Barry of Andover, and Michael Barry of Green Bay, Wisc.; mother-in-law, Evelyn M. Hawes of Weare; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

His mother, Mary Connor of Andover died Friday, April 6. [See previous obituary.]

Arrangements were by French & Rising Funeral Home of Goffstown, N.H.

Memorial contributions may be made to Weare Emergency Medical Services Association, Weare, NH 03281.

### Samuel Agostino Graduated from art school

Samuel "Scot" Agostino, 79, of Andover and formerly of Somerville, died Saturday, April 7 at Sunbridge

Care Center-Glenwood, Lowell.

Born in Arlington and educated in Somerville, Mr. Agostino graduated from Vesper George School of Art. He worked as a service man at Sears.

Mr. Agostino served in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

Members of his family include his wife, Eleanor Agostino; son, Scot and wife Carol Agostino of Andover; daughter, Catherine and husband Remick Wallace of Andover; sisters, Eleanor Mooney of North Carolina and Mary Vir of Salem, N.H.; brother, Kit Connolly of Hull; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Cota Funeral Home, 335 Park St., North Reading.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 1 Kendall Square, Bldg. 200, Cambridge, MA 02139.

### John C. Hurlin Worked for 33 years in the missile systems division at Raytheon Corp.

John C. Hurlin, 71, of Andover, died Friday, April 6 in Methuen.

Born and educated in Norwalk, Conn., Mr. Hurlin graduated from Bates College in Maine and received a master's degree in mathematics from Northeastern University in Boston. He worked for 33 years at Raytheon Corp. in the missile systems division, retiring in 1992. He also worked in the air arms division at Westinghouse Electric Corp.

Mr. Hurlin served in the Army

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### Deaths Elsewhere

**BURQUE** - Joseph A. Burke, 89, of North Andover, died Sunday, April 8 at Greenbriar Terrace in Nashua, N.H. Mr. Burke was the owner and founder of Burke Shoe Machinery in Andover.

**ROCKER** - Brian A. Rocker, 46, of Lawrence, died Sunday, April 8 at home.

Members of his family include his sister, Gillian Rocker of Andover.

### OBITUARIES

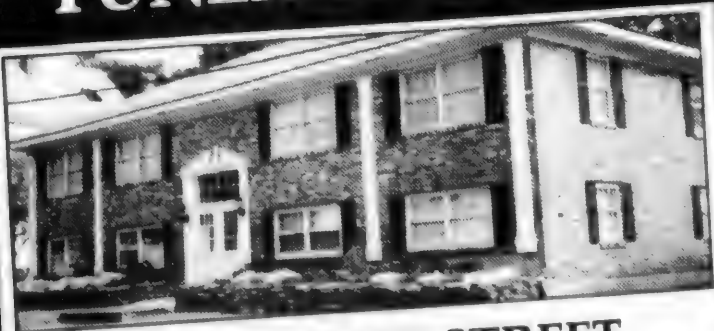
The *Townsmen* will publish obituaries of Andover residents without charge.

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# OBITUARIES

## John C. Hurlin

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during the Korean War, and was a member of South Church, where he served as treasurer and committee member. He was a senior member of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, member of the Korean War Veterans Association, and volunteered in the AARP Tax Aide Program.

Members of his family include his wife, Nancy G. (McMillan) Hurlin; sons, William J. and wife Jane A. Borns of Princeton, N.J., and James A. Hurlin of London, England; brother, Charles W. Hurlin of Reading; and one grandson. Arrangements were by Dewhirst, Edgerley & Bessom Funeral Home, 33 Pearson St.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association, 20 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701.

## HOLY WEEK

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Sunrise Service at Missionary Rock on the Phillips Academy campus, Easter breakfast: 7:30 - 8:15 a.m., Fellowship Hall, 9, 10:30 a.m. Easter services, children welcome at all services, infant care available.

West Parish Church  
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MAUNDY THURSDAY:  
7:30 p.m., featuring Living Last Supper and Communion.

GOOD FRIDAY: 8:15 a.m. prayer walk starting at St. Augustine Church.  
EASTER SUNDAY: 8, 10 a.m.

### Annual book sale at Memorial Hall Library

The Memorial Hall Library will hold its annual book sale on April 27-29 (Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday 1-4:30 p.m.). Thursday night, April 26, is the Preview Night from 6 to 8:30. Admission is \$20.

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## Edna M. McGregor Attended St. Augustine Church

Edna M. (Gallant) McGregor, 79, of Andover, died Sunday, April 8 at Lawrence General Hospital.

Born in Lawrence, Mrs. McGregor was a member of St. Augustine Church.

Members of her family include her husband, William McGregor; sons, Robert McGregor of Reno, Nev., and Barry and wife Cynthia McGregor of Andover; daughter, Nancy and husband Richard Costello of Derry, N.H.; brother, Ronald Arsenault of Haverhill; five grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St.

Memorial contributions may be made to Renex Dialysis Clinic, 210 Sutton St., North Andover, MA 01845.

## Eliza J. (Smith) Bateson Was a member of South Church

Eliza J. (Smith) Bateson, 95, formerly of Andover and Hampton, N.H., died Monday, April 2 at Sutton Hill Center in North Andover.

Mrs. Bateson was born in Arbroath, Scotland, and received her education in Scotland schools. She worked as a mender and burler with Marlin Mills of Andover.

She was a member of St. Matthews Order of Eastern Star. She was a member of South Church and the church guild.

She was the widow of James Bateson Sr. Members of her family include daughter and son-in-law, Eleanor and Loring Batchelder of Lexington; son and daughter-in-law, James and Mary Bateson of Andover;

eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by Pollard Funeral Home, 233 Lawrence St., Methuen.

Memorial contributions may be made to South Church, 41 Central St., Andover, 01810.

## Diane J. O'Donohue Worked at Raytheon

Diane J. (Langevin) O'Donohue, 47, of Methuen, died Monday, April 9 at Holy Family Hospital.

Born in Methuen, she graduated from Andover High School.

Mrs. O'Donohue was a solder-

er at Raytheon Co. in Andover.

Members of her family include her son, Brendan O'Donohue of Boston; mother, Edna (Zaleski) Langevin of Andover; brothers, Albert Langevin of Chula Vista, Calif., and Richard Langevin of Fremont, Calif.; sister, Sharon Long of Pineville, N.C.; and several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Calling hours are today, Thursday, April 12 from 10 to 11 a.m. at Arthur J. Scott Funeral Home, 298 S. Broadway, Lawrence, followed by graveside services and burial at 11 a.m. in Elmwood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Family Cancer Management Center, 70 East St., Methuen, MA 01844.

## Lecture explores Jewish life, culture

Historian of American Judaism, Jonathan Sarna, will lecture at Merrimack College, presenting "Interfaith Humor: A History" on Wednesday, April 18. The free lecture, which is open to the public, is sponsored by the Center for the Study of Jewish-Christian Relations at Merrimack in conjunction with the Merrimack Valley Jewish Federation and Temple Emanuel of Haverhill. The lecture will be held in Cascia Hall on the college's campus.

Sarna occupies the Joseph H. and Belle R. Braun chair in American Jewish History at Brandeis University. He received his doctorate from Yale University and has taught at Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati; Yale; the University of Cincinnati and Hebrew University.

Also, Sarna has written 16 books.

Call 978-837-5428 for the time and more information.



## Town of Andover Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

Saturday, April 28th  
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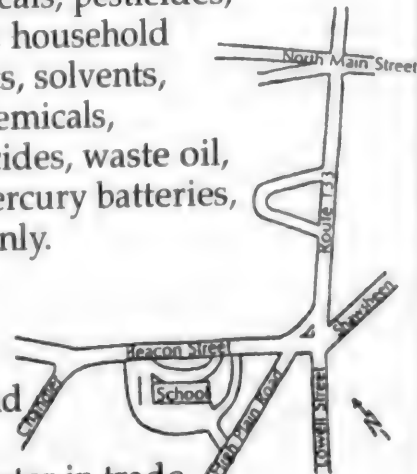


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# Business

## Business briefs...

### A How-to guide: Handling anger at work

Family Service Employee Assistance Program is hosting a spring corporate breakfast at the Wyndham Andover Hotel on Thursday, April 26 from 8 to 10 a.m. The breakfast will feature a special presentation "Managing Anger in the Workplace."

Presenters are Joe Pereira and John Didio of the Outlook Association of New England. The cost is \$20 per person. To register, call Family Service EAP at 978-683-9544, Ext. 30.

### Boshart joins team at Keller Williams

Linda Boshart has joined Keller Williams Realty, 63 Park St.

Boshart received her real-estate license in 1995 in Atlanta, Ga., and moved to Massachusetts to be closer to family one year ago. She plans to work in the Andover and North Andover areas.



Linda Boshart

### Stankiewicz a state Bar Foundation trustee

Anthony K. Stankiewicz of Andover has been named a member of the Board of Trustees of the Massachusetts Bar Foundation.

Stankiewicz is employed at the Boston Stock Exchange Inc. and practices in the areas of federal and state corporate finance law, SRO rules and regulations, federal and state government issues, in-house corporate matters and community relations. He received his undergraduate degree from Boston College and a Law degree from Suffolk University Law School.

He also serves as a trustee for the Women's Educational and Industrial Union.

### Insurance women meet

Merrimack Valley Chapter of the Massachusetts Association of Insurance Women Inc. will meet Thursday, April 19 at the A-1 Cafe, 93 Merrimack St., Haverhill.

Director Kathy Messina will present a 30-minute business seminar.

For reservations, call Maria Targbe, 475-3300.

## Hoops for Hope head asked to set pace for after-school programs Arnold called to play for national team

By Jennifer Lappin

Andover resident Jim Arnold has worn many different hats during his career: teacher, reporter, businessman, and founder of Lawrence's after-school program Hoops for Hope. But Arnold recently learned that he has another hat to try on.

The U.S. Justice Department has appointed him to serve on its National Education and Policy Committee, after recognizing his proven track record in establishing and growing after-school programs for kids. Arnold will be chairing a committee that writes the training and certification manuals for all of the various after-school programs sponsored by the Justice Department.

"It's a daunting task, but it's good for me because it's putting on paper what I think we've been doing [at Hoops for Hope] all along," he said.

Arnold founded his brainchild, the Hoops for Hope basketball program, back in 1993 and currently serves as the program's director.

"It started as just fixing up a park, Sullivan Park, adjacent to the stadium, and it has evolved into a comprehensive after-school program with everything from jazz-band performances to computer-science programs," he said.

The after-school program primarily provides supervised recreational and athletic activities for inner-city students and at-risk youth. Thousands of children have participated in Hoops for Hope activities and its success has been recognized by the U.S. Department of Justice, which funds the program.

"I think Hoops for Hope has been so successful because it brings so many different entities from the community to accomplish goals for the good of the kids," said Amy Ford,



Photo by Tim Jean

**Called up to the big leagues — The U.S. Justice Department has asked Jim Arnold to help groups throughout the nation create and evaluate programs for at-risk kids, like his successful Hoops for Hope program in Lawrence.**

Hoops for Hope communications coordinator. In the case of renovating Lawrence Housing Authority's JCC building, Hoops for Hope joined forces with the Lawrence Police Department, Housing Authority, and Recreation Department to convert the dilapidated building into Hoops for Hope's headquarters. Now, Lawrence students can play in basketball leagues, use new computers, and even take a dance class after school.

"Lawrence police participate as

coaches and mentors. The police get to know the kids, and the kids get to know the police in a non-threatening manner that really helps to build strong community relationships. The end result is amazing," Ford said.

The positive effects of building these strong community ties can be seen throughout the city, according to Jim Hayes, Hoops for Hope Coach and Administrator. "If you take a look at Sullivan Park you'll see that there hasn't been one bit of vandalism done to it (since the Hoops for Hope renovation), and that's remarkable when you think about the neighborhood."

Now, Arnold will be passing along his secrets of success through the Justice Department.

"We're writing these manuals for laymen who aren't teachers but who, more and more, are being put in the position of being teachers, like policemen or community leaders," said Arnold.

The Justice Department will use the information in the manuals not just to help develop programs, but to evaluate how well new programs are doing. Arnold will be helping other directors find concrete ways to measure their success at keeping at-risk kids out of trouble and in school.

"We'll show (people) how to involve the police and the schools in the program to help make the program a total success," he said.

Arnold's outstanding home-run record has been most recently exemplified in Hoops for Hope's Project Hope's intervention in saving the South Lawrence East Little League team. Arnold has resuscitated the baseball team by providing softball and baseball equipment, indoor workout space, and police and personnel support.

## Doctor honored by hospital

Fred Arrigg Sr. was recently honored with the St. Luke's Award for outstanding achievement in medicine. This award is presented by the Holy Family Hospital and its medical staff to recognize "those physicians who have shown special commitment to the highest clinical, educational and ethical ideals of the healing profession," according to a release.

Arrigg first opened his practice in Lawrence as an ear, nose and throat special-

ist more than 50 years ago. He is currently the longest actively serving member of the hospital's medical staff. He continues to specialize in caring for patients with hearing difficulties as well as dizziness and balance problems.

"Dr. Fred Arrigg is the heart and soul of our medical community. His medical brilliance, his compassionate caring for patients over many decades, his unshakable integrity and his unselfish commitment to

serving others inspire us all," said William Lane, president of the Holy Family, in the release. "Dr. Arrigg is universally revered and respected."

Arrigg's community contributions also have included service as member of the Board of Trustees of Tufts University, President of the Tufts University Medical Alumni Association, Trustee of Lebanese American University and Trustee of Memorial Hall Public



Fred Arrigg Sr.

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Library in Andover. He also currently serves on the Board of Trustees of the Holy Family Hospital. Throughout his career, Arrigg has launched numerous scholarship funds for needy students attending high school, college and medical school.

Arrigg is a graduate of

Harvard College and Tufts University School of Medicine. He completed his internship and residency at Boston City Hospital. He is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a diplomate of the American Board of Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery. He received an honorary doctorate degree from

Merrimack College in 1968. Among his accomplishments, Arrigg has been recognized for being among the first physicians to perform the stapedectomy procedure, an operation that has restored the hearing of thousands of patients. He has authored numerous articles and book chapters on ear surgery.

Arrigg developed microsurgical instruments that have continued to advance the subspecialty of ear surgery nationally.

Arrigg currently serves as president of the Arrigg Eye and Ear Associates, a multi-specialty practice which he shares with his three physician children who are all graduates of the Massachu-

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# Sports

## Girls and boys varsity lacrosse, tennis teams already hot

By Rick Harrison

Diana Crawford and Troy Lieberman were the top scorers as the Andover High girls and boys varsity lacrosse teams opened the soggy spring season with impressive league wins over Beverly and Lowell respectively.

The AHS girls and boys tennis teams also rolled to convincing victories, while the softball team dropped a tough 1-0 decision to Newburyport in its first game.

The boys volleyball squad hit an early-season snag but was hoping to turn things around yesterday.

### BASEBALL

Andover High had its first two varsity baseball games, both home at Peter Aumais Field against Revere and Norton, postponed by poor field conditions.

The Norton game has been rescheduled for Tuesday, May 22 at 4:30 p.m.

A new date for the Revere game had not been announced at presstime.

The Golden Warriors are now slated to open the season this Saturday with two games in the second annual Showcase Showdown at Paul Walsh Field in New Bedford.

AHS will battle host New Bedford High in its 11 a.m. opener, and play Brockton High in game two at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Veteran lefthanders Kevin Shepard and Jeff Volinski are the probable starting pitchers, although one or both could be held

back because the Merrimack Valley Conference 1 opener will follow next Tuesday against two-time defending champ Central Catholic (2 p.m., Aumais Field).

### GIRLS LACROSSE

Sophomore attack Diana Crawford scored five goals, junior attack Emily Shaer broke a 7-7 tie with two goals 30 seconds apart late in the game, and goaltender Vivian Crossley made 25 saves as the Andover High girls lacrosse team registered an impressive 11-9 North League win over host Beverly in its varsity debut at Hurd Stadium.

#### Schedule

Andover is scheduled to play a North League game this afternoon at Masconomet Regional in Topsfield (3:30 p.m.), and next Wednesday the locals host Hopkinton at the Doherty Middle School field.

#### Andover 11

#### Beverly 9

The Lady Warriors led 4-0 at the half and 7-2 early in the second half.

Beverly then rallied by netting five straight goals, tying the score 7-7 with eight minutes to play and setting the stage for Emily Shaer's heroics.

She shifted the momentum back to the locals with two quick goals, and AHS added two more to make it 11-7 before the Panthers tallied a pair of harmless goals in the closing minutes.

"We played really well," said

Andover head coach Ryan Polley in his debut. "The girls showed unbelievable poise and character by coming back after Beverly scored those five goals to tie it."

Senior goalie and Capt. Crossley was particularly sharp in the early going.

"She kept us in the game the first eight minutes," said Polley. "Beverly was controlling play at the start, but Vivian made a bunch of saves to keep it scoreless."

"We're a young team and it would have been tough for us to come back if we fell behind early in our very first game."

Among sniper Diana Crawford's five goals was the historic first in AHS varsity girls lacrosse history.

Hard-shooting sophomore midfielder Amanda Gallant added a three-goal hat trick, Shaer had two and Capt. Jill Mann netted one goal.

Twin sister Demorie Crawford passed out four assists, and defensive standouts were Capt. Claudia Soo Hoo and sophomores Laura Denison and Katie Seero.

### BOYS LACROSSE

Junior attack Troy Lieberman netted a three-goal hat trick to lead a dozen Andover High players into the scoring column in a season-opening 18-3 Merrimack Valley Conference romp over host Lowell at Cawley Memorial Stadium on Tuesday.

#### Schedule

AHS is slated to play at Tyngs-

boro High tonight at 7 p.m. on Pierce Field, and the locals host North Andover next Monday night under the lights at Lovely Field.

Makeup dates have been announced for two early-season postponements. The game at non-league Marblehead was rescheduled for this Saturday at 9 a.m., and Andover will host MVC rival Chelmsford Sunday, April 22 at the Doherty Middle School field (2 p.m.).

#### Andover 18

#### Lowell 3

The Golden Warriors put the game away early, bolting to a 6-0 first-quarter lead and increasing it to 11-0 at the half and 14-0 after three periods.

Lowell finally got on the board with a trio of goals in the final session.

Contributing two goals each for AHS were a quartet of midfielders, sophomore Nick Stamas, junior Greg Beck, freshman Brendan Smith and senior Jeff Ahern.

"We played very well given the fact we had only been on the field for one day of practice — not counting scrimmages," said Golden Warriors' head coach Wayne Puglisi.

"We moved the ball well, played well 6-on-6 and did a nice job of hustling and getting off a lot of shots."

"We hadn't generated a lot of scoring opportunities in our scrimmages, but today we had control of the ball most of the time and finished with 45 shots," added Puglisi.

Adding a goal apiece were senior attack Mike Hass, junior midfielder Greg Drapeau, senior middies Mike Fitzpatrick and Jay Sherman, sophomore attack Steve Seero, junior attack Tim Ronan and senior attack Nate Stotzel.

The lone assist went to junior attack Oliver Gregory.

Capt. Chris Cataldo played the first half in the AHS net and blanked Lowell while making five saves.

Junior Alex Gostanian played the last two periods and finished with four stops.

Mike Black scored a goal for Lowell and goaltender Ben Murphy had 19 saves.

### SOFTBALL

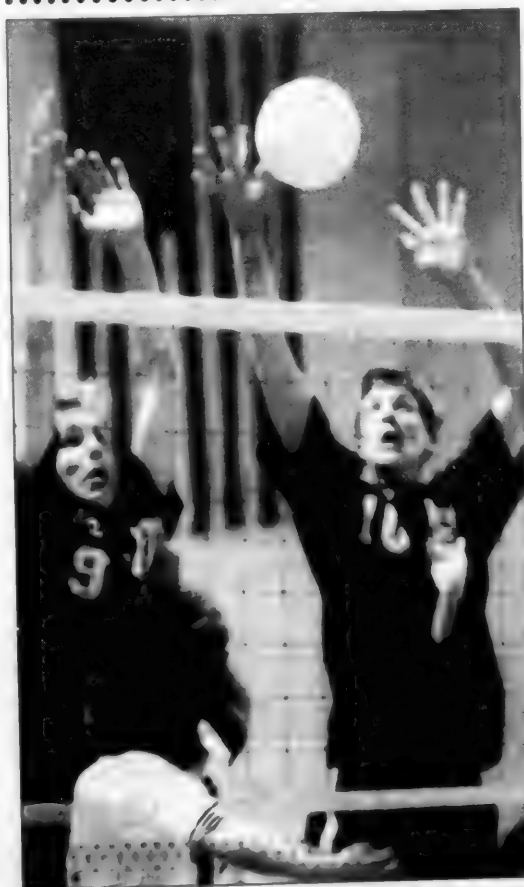
An outstanding pitching performance by junior Kaitlin Haugh went unrewarded as the Andover High varsity softball team dropped a tough 1-0 decision to non-league host Newburyport in its season opener on Tuesday.

Haugh allowed only four hits, walking two and whiffing two, before the Clippers pushed across the only run of the game with two outs in the bottom of the seventh.

#### Schedule

Andover hosted non-league North Reading today (3:30 p.m.), and next week the locals host Central Catholic on Tuesday and travel to Notre Dame Academy in Tyngsboro on Thursday (both 2 p.m.) in their first two Merrimack Valley Conference games.

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The visiting Lowell Red Raiders (4-0) stayed undefeated with a 15-6, 15-4 sweep of the boys volleyball team. The home team managed only two kills and did not have a service ace for the fourth straight match. At left, are AHS players Cameron Day (No. 9) and Steve Johnson (No. 10). Above, from left, are Elliot Perkins (No. 8); co-captain Alan MacLean (No. 31); and Mike Chabot (No. 13).

Photos by Tim Jean



# AHS ROUNDUP

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## Newburyport 1 Andover 0

The Lady Warriors managed only three hits against winning pitcher Kristen Henderson, who didn't walk a batter and struck out 13 as the Clippers improved to 3-0 (two earlier wins over Haverhill).

"Their pitcher certainly wasn't overpowering," said AHS head coach Stephanie Ragucci. "But her ball had a little rise to it and our kids couldn't lay off the high pitch-

es.

"They were told time and again during the game to have patience at the plate — but that rising fast-ball was just too tempting."

Capt. Lisa Tisbert led the AHS offense with a double and single, while junior Molly Reimer laced a single.

The locals had one runner as far as third base and another was stranded at second, but Henderson kept the visitors off the bases for the most part.

In the Newburyport seventh,

Haugh fanned the first batter and got two quick strikes on the next hitter before issuing a walk. A wild pitch and sacrifice bunt advanced the runner to third before Jill Henderson tapped an RBI single to end the game.

"It came right down to the last out," said Ragucci. "We played a strong defensive game. We didn't make an error. Andrea Manners was outstanding at third base and (catcher) Kara Spang threw out a runner trying to steal."

## GIRLS TENNIS

It was business as usual for the Andover High girls tennis team,

which jumped off to a 3-0 start with consecutive 5-0 victories over Merrimack Valley Conference rivals Haverhill, Tewksbury and Methuen.

The wins came on consecutive days earlier this week and vaulted the Lady Warriors into the familiar confines of first place in MVC 1.

## Schedule

The locals have school vacation week off and return to the courts April 23 at Billerica. Other matches that week will be at Lawrence (Wednesday, April 25) and at Chelmsford (Friday, April 27).

The scheduled season opener

against Notre Dame Academy in Tyngsboro was postponed last week because the NDA courts were unplayable. That match will be made up later this season.

All matches start at 3:30 p.m.

## Andover 5 Haverhill 0

The Lady Warriors swept all five matches in straight sets, dropping only four games in singles play and six in doubles on the way to the season-opening romp at Haverhill.

Senior Capt. Michelle Leahy made her debut at first singles with a 6-0, 6-0 whitewash of the Hillies' Holly Dinges, while Capt.



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# AHS ROUNDUP

Erin Zuena's bow at second singles was a successful 6-2, 6-1 victory over Erin Collins.

Freshman Marsha Mogilevich, of Russian descent, completed the singles sweep with a 6-1, 6-0 triumph over Amy Beaton at No. 3.

Both AHS doubles teams won by identical 6-1, 6-2 scores, sophomores Elizabeth Magnier and Jenicka Hornung handling Heather Mortimer and Lauren Kimball while sophomore Lauren Fitzgerald and senior Jessica Bindman overpowered Haverhill's Amy Garrison and Maggie Cleary.

"Marsha Mogilevich's win at third singles was impressive," said head coach Tony Russo. "She fills out the singles lineup well —

and that will enable us to use many other kids in doubles."

Andover 5  
Tewksbury 0

The Lady Warriors rolled to five easy wins once again over the visitors, who must play all their matches away from home because Tewksbury has no suitable tennis courts.

In singles, Michelle Leahy blanked Julie Cole 6-0, 6-0, Erin Zuena stopped Rachel Osterman 6-0, 6-1 and Marsha Mogilevich handled Becky Osterman 6-1, 6-1.

Doubles were more of the same as Elizabeth Magnier and Jenicka Hornung drilled Tewksbury's Emily Angelo and Amanda Sutherbey 6-1, 6-0 and the AHS tan-

dem of Betsy Pierce and Lynn Spitzer stopped Erin Phelan and Karen Lazzara 6-2, 6-0.

## BOYS TENNIS

The Andover High boys tennis team encountered only token resistance as it

launched the 2001 season with a pair of 5-0 sweeps over Merrimack Valley Conference rivals Haverhill and Methuen.

## Schedule

The Golden Warriors have a non-league

match against crosstown prep school rival Phillips Academy tomorrow afternoon at the PA courts.

AHS is then idle until the Monday after school vacation (April 23) when it hosts Biller-

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The land with the buildings thereon situated on the northerly side of Oak Street in Andover (Ballardvale), Essex County, Massachusetts and shown as Lot 2 on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land in Andover, Mass. As Subdivided by James F. Cleary pursuant to Decision #1945, dated August 7, 1987 by Town of Andover Board of Appeals, Scale: 1" = 40' - August 17, 1987" and prepared by Robert G. Goodwin, Registered Land Surveyor and recorded with the Essex North District Registry of Deeds as Plan Number 10860, and reference may be had to said plan for a more particular description.

Lot 2 contains 37,980 square feet, more or less according to said plan.

See Deed at Book 5054, Page 211.

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## AHS ROUNDUP

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ica. Other home matches scheduled that week are Wednesday versus Lawrence and Friday against Chelmsford.

All matches start at 3:30 p.m.

### Andover 5 Haverhill 0

The visiting Hillies won just one game in singles and two in doubles as AHS totally dominated play.

First singles Gabe Adams and third singles Rich Roda, senior captains, rolled to 6-0, 6-0 victories over Howie Smith and Pierre Gooding respectively.

Junior Andy Chiaraluce, an All-Scholastic doubles player last

spring, debuted at second singles and pounded out a 6-0, 6-1 triumph over John Murphy.

First doubles, comprised of sophomore Jason Lynn and Capt. Steve Hibino, drilled the Haverhill tandem of Scott Ferreira and Dan Bramwell, 6-1, 6-0.

Second doubles James Kim and Andrew Ong won with equal ease, posting a 6-0, 6-1 decision over Colin Bradley and Andrew DiVincenzo.

"The scores were not close — but Gabe (Adams) played very well against Haverhill's No. 1 Howie Smith who has improved a lot over last year," said AHS coach Mike Wartman.

## BOYS VOLLEYBALL

The Andover High boys varsity volleyball team hit an early-season snag with consecutive 2-0 Merrimack Valley Conference losses to Lawrence, Methuen and Lowell recently.

It was a rare slump for a program that has suffered only one losing season in the last 13 years.

"We're definitely struggling right now," admitted head coach George Sullivan. "With only one starter and three lettermen back from last year it's like on-the-job training for these guys. But they have to step up to the plate soon or we're in for the kind of season we haven't had in a long time."

"I believe Lawrence and Lowell are both teams we can beat the second time around, but we'll have to play much better than we have so far."

### Schedule

Andover entered yesterday's match at Westford Academy, played after Townsman presstime, with a 1-3 overall record.

The Golden Warriors play at Dracut today (4 p.m.) and host Haverhill in the only vacation-week match next Tuesday morning (10 a.m.).

### Lawrence 2

#### Andover 0

The Lancers squeezed out a 15-12 victory in the first game, and then completed the sweep at the Dunn Gym with a convincing 15-5 romp in game two of the Golden Warriors' home opener.

"We played well for most of the first game," said coach Sullivan. "We did a good job blocking and passing. But Lawrence has several very good athletes and they bang the ball hard."

Andover led the saw opener 12-9 before Lawrence clicked off the final six points for the win.

"We panicked when Lawrence started to rally," said Sullivan. "After we lost the first game, we didn't block or execute enough of the basic fundamentals in the second game. Our immaturity showed."

Josh Brooks led all hitters with 13-for-15 and four kills, while Alan MacLean was 8-for-8 with four kills.

Andy Carter finished 6-for-9 with two kills and Steve Johnson 4-for-6 with two kills.

David Hsu was the leading server with 8-for-8.

"Once again we didn't have any service aces or as many kills as we should," said Sullivan. "We have to work on hitting the ball harder and placing it better."

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The AHS junior varsity rolled to a 2-0 win by game scores of 15-9 and 15-11. Playing well for the winners were Ryan Donahue and setters Anthony DiLorenzo and Steve Gerstein.

### Methuen 2 Andover 0

The visiting Golden Warriors ran headlong

into what may be the top team in the MVC this spring, dropping the first game to the Rangers, 15-9, and the second, 15-3, at the Methuen High Field House.

"We were more heads-up and played with more pride in this match," said coach Sullivan. "We had some defensive breakdowns in the second game, but we're getting a little better and a little stronger."

"We only had two bad serves in the match, but we're still not hitting the ball with authority. That's a matter of timing and hopefully that will come as we play more matches,"

Alan MacLean was the top hitter with 15-for-17 and three kills, while he also went 6-for-7 serving.

Steve Johnson finished 9-for-12 hitting, with three kills, and he was 7-for-7 serving.

Josh Brooks went 7-for-9 hitting and Elliot Perkins was 5-for-6 with one kill.

Stu Smilowitz and David Hsu were both 5-for-5 serving, while Smilowitz also did a good job setting.

Mike Chabot went 3-for-3 serving and Adam Martel was 2-for-3.

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The Andover JVs posted a 2-1 victory in the prelim, pulling out a 15-9, 8-15, 15-9 victory. Tim An set well and all-around standouts were George Lewis, Cameron Day and Ryan Donahue.

### Lowell 2 Andover 0

The visiting Red Raiders (4-0) remained undefeated with a 15-6, 15-4 sweep.

It was a rough day hitting and serving for the locals, who managed only two kills and did not have a service ace for the fourth straight match.

Elliot Perkins went 5-for-7 hitting with two kills, while Steve Johnson was 4-for-6, Josh Brooks 4-for-8 and Alan MacLean 3-for-6.

Sophomores Cameron Day and Shawn Furey played strong defense, as did Johnson, while Day was also 3-for-4 hitting.

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The Andover JVs remained unbeaten (4-0) with a 2-0 sweep in the prelim. Ryan Donahue continued his fine all-around play in the 15-4, 15-6 sweep.

## South Winds

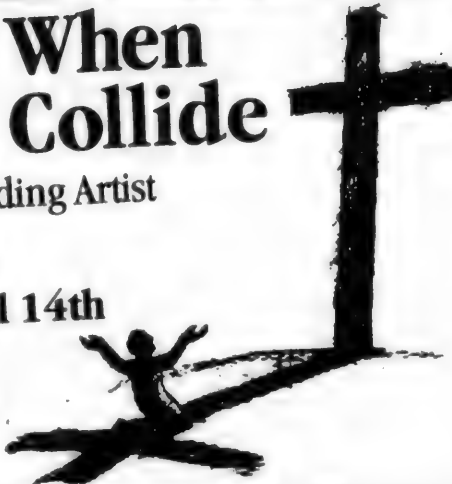
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# GRAVEL PIT LETTERS

## Yes to fields, it's good for environment

Editor, *Townsmen*:

To the Voters of Andover:

I am writing to support Article 10, which (with a private \$500,000 donation from Andover's youth sports) would build new playing fields at the Essex Sand and Gravel Pit. I support Article 10 because it provides desperately needed fields while promoting important environmental values.

Since last year's Town Meeting, I have tried to learn more about the environmental issues surrounding Article 10. As the father of three small children, as a member of AVIS, and as an environmental attorney in Andover (and whose law partner is a former EPA attorney), I care about good environmental planning. Article 10 is a good environmental plan.

First, the gravel pit provides an optimal location for new fields. Although part of beautiful Rec Park, the gravel pit itself is a desolate eye-sore, hostile to most wildlife and more appropriate for motocross and illegal dumping than for enjoying nature. Not surprisingly, the town's wildlife consultant, Oxbow Associates, has found that the gravel pit does not host any threatened or endangered species. While no project can ever be said to have zero environmental impact, the environmental cost of building fields at the Essex Sand and Gravel Pit is very, very low.

Second, the Rec Park plan emphasizes environmental values. It has been developed by BSC Inc., a landscape-architecture firm with experience in ecological protection. (BSC also drafted the town's wetlands bylaw.) Its plan includes the following environmental features:

- A buffer zone of between 100 and 200 feet between fields and wetlands. This compares favorably to 25-foot buffer zones in many Andover developments.

- A sandy set-aside area to permit the local turtle population (a common, non-threatened species) to breed without disturbance. This compares favorably to the current lack of protection.

- A new boardwalk that will not only protect sensitive wetlands from foot-traffic but also increase the number of residents who enjoy the environment at Rec Park.

- Protective measures to prevent run-off into wetlands, including (i) the use of semi-pervious materials in parking lots, (ii) construction of a berm (raised ridge) between the fields and any wetlands, and (iii) the construction of a retention area to gather rainwater from the fields. This compares favorably to the absence of any existing measures to protect wetlands from run-off from the debris and litter now in the pit. Also, the town won't use harmful or hazardous pesticides or fertilizers.

- Public-safety access to prevent the midnight dumping and partying that plague the pit.

Finally, it was reassuring to learn that Article 10 is supported by both the selectmen and the Conservation Commission. The Conservation Commission's support speaks volumes, since its members serve because they care about ecological values.

I understand that some neighbors oppose playing fields at the gravel pit, and I respect their good intentions in recently proposing to convert the pit into something they call an "eco-park." But I join with the Conservation Commission's opposition to this vague eco-park plan. Growth issues are real, and they are immediate. Article 10 provides a definite, balanced plan to address our need for playing fields while also protecting open space and the environment.

Robert J. Gilbert  
12 Gray Road

## No to fields, let kids be kids more

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am writing to urge Andover citizens to vote "no" on Article 10 at Town Meeting. The article seeks to allow the town to spend \$1.3 million to put three soccer fields in the sand pit next to Pumps Pond. There are many reasons not to put fields there, the most obvious being the destruction of a precious piece of undeveloped land located in the geographic center of Andover. A second reason is the pressing need to spend money on other projects such as the schools, sidewalks, safety center, etc., with which we are all familiar. However, I would like to focus on two other reasons to avoid this project.

We baby-boomer parents think that, in terms of our children's growth and development, more is better and early is better still. Swimming lessons at 18 months, violin at 5 years old, educational software as soon as the toddler can sit at the computer, and soccer at age 6. But soccer is a difficult sport not suitable for young children. I will admit that my three children played soccer along with all their friends and I did a little coaching. The average "player" spent considerable time turning cartwheels, day dreaming, and, if a girl, playing with her hair. When kids did actually follow the ball they inevitably bunched together - they had no idea of the game. Of course not - they were incapable of it. The rare child who could play before the age of 9 or 10 would completely dominate the game.

What soccer at ages 6, 7, and 8 really amounts to is babysitting. It is essentially a passive activity organized and run by the adults. How often do we see groups of children playing soccer without parental involvement? Never!

Young children's time should be spent running around in their yards, devising their own amusement. They do not need parents shouting at the sidelines or dusting trophies they got just for being

on the team. They need time to be kids and to be with kids, learning how the world works and how to get along without an adult spelling out all the rules and activities. So, in terms of child development, soccer is a big negative.

A second issue is the added stress soccer puts on families. The family's schedule is dependent on practice and game schedules. The older and younger siblings get dragged around in car pools and to boring games. And Mom gets to get in the car a whole bunch more times each week.

Children aged 6 to 8 make up a disproportionately large percentage of the town's players. Most will drop out by high school and never miss it. The small percentage who do keep playing will play at the same level in high school whether they started at 6 or 10.

Let's put off soccer until age 9. Then fields at the new schools, and possibly at the Reichhold property will satisfy our need for playing space. Our tax dollars will go toward much more important needs, and families can all skip a trip or two to the store for more soccer shoes.

Kathy Dietz  
43 Porter Road

## We have lots of conservation land, need more fields

Editor, *Townsmen*:

This year, as I have for the past two decades, I will attend Town Meeting to support active, open space at Recreation Park and the Essex Sand and Gravel Pit. This year is unique because a youth sports group, the Andover Soccer Association, is contributing \$500,000 towards playing fields and walking-paths development in the pit. Town-sponsored Article 10 would convert the pit into open, active space. Private Article 11 would prevent the gravel pit from becoming an open, active area.

My daughter and I have spent many sunny days enjoying numerous and generous areas of

conservation land in Andover. However, our one experience at the gravel pit near Rec Park was anything but pleasant. A few years ago we strayed into the pit and my 3-year-old daughter saw mattresses that were surrounded by beer bottles and cans. The sounds of nature were drowned out by dirt bikes. Nature's beauty was blighted by garbage wherever we ventured. We slowly and carefully navigated the rough and eroded terrain of this gravel pit/dump and finally exited it.

As we drove past the tennis and basketball courts at Rec Park, I realized that I have spent most of my adult life attending Town Meetings where we studied and talked about improving it. During the last dozen years I have trekked all over the state, as a baseball coach's wife, and witnessed smaller, less affluent towns provide more and/or better maintained fields than my home town. I'm also a landscaper's wife, so I understand how impossible it is for our town to properly maintain overplayed fields. The lack of grass and the hard-packed land deteriorate a child's level playing field into an unnecessary "twisted ankle or bloody knee." Therefore, I was not surprised to read that the latest study, the 1997 Open Space and Recreation Plan, recommended immediate construction of 11 new fields. The few fields at Cross School and Rec Park will not provide all the fields we have needed. However, Rec Park is a cost-effective step toward that goal.

Like it or not, my once-small town has grown up, and we have a responsibility to provide space for all creatures, including the ones that play on two legs. We can be proud of our conservation land. We should also be proud of the space we provide for active activities. About 10 percent of our town, 2000-plus acres, is conservation land. Yet over 2,000 creatures with just 2 legs, our children, play on only 12 acres of town-owned field space. Essex Gravel would add five more acres.

I would like to thank the soccer association and its members, of which I am not one, for providing a \$500,000 contribution to the Rec Park/gravel pit improvements. I would like to thank AVIS and the Conservation Commission for a job well done on numerous conservation projects.

Should we refuse the soccer parents' money? Should we continue to study and talk? April 23 Town Meeting will require a two-thirds "yes" vote for Article 10 and a "no" vote for Article 11. Residents should help finish what we started more than 30 years ago.

Annette Grams  
Corbett Street

## Fields plan for pit

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ments what has already been developed at our adjacent parcel, Recreation Park. Building fields on site will bring family activity to an area that is currently blighted. Encouraging the use of the trails in the Pumps Pond and Foster's Island area will be an additional asset for our outdoor enthusiasts.

Article 10 is a continuing step for much needed improvements to our park, while at the same time addressing some of our field needs as stated in the Open Space and Recreation Plan. Improvements will address accessibility issues with respect to the Americans with Disabilities Act, while also providing better security for the whole park. Monday, April 23 is every resident's Town Meeting and every resident's opportunity to vote for Article 10.

Mary Donohue  
Director,  
Department of Community Services

## At gravel pit, he issues an eco-challenge

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production of rapidly declining species of reptiles, amphibians, birds, plants and mammals.

The creation of an ecological park will provide outstanding benefits to all of Andover's citizens - young and old.

Utilizing seasonal and age-dependent curriculum, it will provide specifically designed spaces for our elementary- and middle-school teachers to help our town's children encounter nature. There, they will learn first-hand about one of the major issues of their adult lives. High-school students can become actively involved in the repopulation process. Scouting and other community groups can be part of the building of needed infrastructure. For families, the EcoPark will

provide a unique resource in the town - a place that celebrates our rich ecological heritage. As it is developed, it will become the perfect place to bring visitors.

The Essex Sand and Gravel Pit and its immediately adjacent areas are a vital system of marshes, fields, woodlands, and bogs where otters, numerous wading birds, hawks and red fox live, and turtles and killdeer nest. These animals are down to precious few places in our town where they are safe, and the incredible volume of peak traffic in playing fields will make it inhospitable.

This is a rare moment in Andover's development. Andover cannot continue to grow forever, and there is no sense in exploiting every last natural resource in an effort to do so. Proper manage-

ment of the pit should not include parking lots, access roads and playing fields, but rather active assistance to nature's efforts to recreate the wild. There should be a proactive investment in resources and structures to create an integrated ecological experience for our species and those species that call it home.

It is important to fund this project privately, using membership fees, private donations, foundation grants, and, when appropriate, state funds. Such a process should be managed by a private organization - very analogous to the Andover Soccer Association or the Andover Youth Foundation - under the watchful eye of the town's selectmen.

Tom Jones  
62 Porter Road



# NEWS FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker

Here are some of the activities planned at the Andover Senior Center (note that advance sign-up is necessary for many of the programs):

**Fix-It Shop:** On Tuesday, April 17, our volunteers will again be on hand to take a look at any small appliances or household items that might be in need of repair. Just drop by anytime between the hours of 1 and 3:30 p.m.

**Supper Club:** Our next supper club will take us to the Focaccia Restaurant on Wednesday, April 18 at 5 p.m. We have five great entrees to choose from at an inclusive price of \$15. Everyone is welcome to attend these monthly evenings out. Stop into the center if you'd like to make a reservation.

**Creative Cooking:** Our creative cooking group also welcomes new and interested folks who would like to join in. The next class will be held Wednesday, April 18 at 9 a.m. Cost is \$6, which includes lunch at the end of class. We'll be trying out new and interesting spring salads this month. Call the center if you would like to give this group a try.

**Flower Arranging:** Flower arranger Betsy Chisholm will conduct a class for beginners and intermediates on Monday, April 23 at 2 p.m. Cost of the class is \$10, which includes flowers and all supplies except containers. Bring your own basket, bowl, pitcher or vase and join us for a fun and creative afternoon. Pre-registration is necessary so that we can plan for an adequate

amount of supplies.

**Health Forum:** The Andover Board of Health will sponsor a program on colon cancer on Monday, April 23 at 1:30 p.m. at the senior center. Come and find out more about this serious but preventable disease. Literature as well as screening kits will be available. Please call the center and plan to attend this important presentation.

**Woodcarving:** On Monday, April 23 we will begin our spring session of woodcarving with Fred Arakelian. Class will meet at 9 a.m. for eight weeks at a cost of \$20. Some carving experience is helpful. Please register at the center prior to the first class or call Fred at 978-475-4983 for further information.

**Suzuki & Supper:** We invite you to join us on Wednesday, April 25 at 4 p.m. when we will be treated to a special performance by Suzuki Strings of Andover, followed by a pizza supper. Suzuki Strings is a group of students, aged 3 to 12, who will be performing works by Mozart, Beethoven, Suzuki, and Bach. Tickets for the performance and supper are \$2 and are available at the center on a first come basis.

**Men's Breakfast:** All interested senior men are cordially invited to join us on Friday, April 20 at 8:30 a.m. for breakfast followed by an

informative presentation "Heart Smart For Men" with well-known cardiologist Dr. Manning Curtis. Reservations (\$3) may be made by calling the center at 978-623-8321.

**Golf Lessons:** We are again sponsoring golf lessons this year in cooperation with the Garrison Golf Center in Haverhill. If you're a beginner or would like to polish up your swing and fine tune your strokes we will be offering a four-session program on Mondays, April 23 and 30, and May 7 and 14 at 9:30 a.m. Cost is \$50, which includes equipment and instruction. Call the center if you would like to register.

**Fitness Walk & Training Station Class:** We will be offering an eight week outdoor fitness walk and training station class on Wednesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. with a free demonstration class scheduled for April 25. If you'd like to learn more about this exercise opportunity or try out the class just come to the center at the above time and join in. Session begins the following week at a cost of \$20, and pre-registration is necessary.

**Foreign Language Instruction:** These classes will be a continuation of our fall instructional courses or for those with equivalent experience. French will get

underway on Tuesday, April 24 at 9:30 a.m. and Spanish will resume on Friday, April 27 at 2 p.m. Each class runs for ten weeks at a cost of \$25. Anyone interested is asked to register prior to the first class.

**Fluoride Presentation:** On Friday, April 27 at 9:30 a.m. Joe Sweeney will present some information on the fluoridation of water and concerns about associated health risks for anyone interested in discussing the issue. You're invited to drop in.

**Movie Matinee:** On Monday, April 30 at 1 p.m. we will show the video *Memories Of Me* starring Billy Crystal and Alan King. Heartwarming comedy about a feuding father and son who discover that love is a family trait.

**Shriner's Circus:** Remember the fun and excitement of the circus? We have a limited number of tickets available for a 2 p.m. matinee at the Shriner's Circus in Wilmington on Tuesday, May 1. Cost will be \$10, including bus transportation from the center.

**Parkinson's Support Group:** Our monthly Parkinson's support group will be held on Monday, May 7 at 1:30 p.m. Speaker will be Andover acupuncturist Ted Pappas. For further information, call Rachel at the center.

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## NEWS FOR SENIORS

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**Birding Excursions:** The senior center will offer a series of four early morning bird watching excursions with the first one scheduled to take place on Thursday, May 3. The cost is \$2 and pre-registration is necessary. Leader will be Al Retelle, President of the Merrimack Valley Bird Watchers Group.

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## Archaeology meeting Tuesday

The Northeast Chapter of the Massachusetts Archaeological Society will sponsor a meeting on Tuesday, April 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the Robert S. Peabody Museum, Phillips Academy, Main Street.

The program, "Arrows Lap'd In Snakeskin: New Understandings of the 1622 Weymouth Massacre," is open to the public free of charge. The speaker, Dr. Jack Dempsey, is a novelist, textual editor and documentary producer.

Dr. Dempsey is the editor of *New English Canaan* by Thomas Morton of 'Merry-mount' and author of *Thomas Morton: The Life and Renaissance of an Early American Poet*. A Boston-area native, he resides on the North Shore.

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The Massachusetts Archaeology Society - Northeast Chapter, meets the third Tuesday of the month, September through June. Membership to the Massachusetts Archaeology Society and the Northeast Chapter is open to all those who interested in furthering their study of archaeology and Native American cultural history.

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"The following described premises in the Andover's Colonial Drive Condominium created by Master Deed dated June 16, 1987 and recorded on June 17, 1987 with the Essex North Registry of Deeds at Book 2522, Page 105, as amended of record, being Unit Number A2-7, together with an undivided percentage interest appertaining to said Unit in the common areas and facilities of said Condominium, and subject to and with the benefit of the provisions of said Master Deed hereinabove referred to, as amended, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 183A, and managed and regulated by the Trustee's of Andover's Colonial Drive Condominium Trust under Declaration of Trust dated as of June 16, 1987 and recorded with said Deeds at Book 2522, Page 137. The Post Office address of the property is Unit A2-7, Andover's Colonial Drive Condominium, A2 Colonial Drive, Andover, MA 01810.

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March 29, April 5 & 12, 2001

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT ESSEX DIVISION Docket No. 01P0681-EP1 NOTICE

In the ESTATE OF VIRGINIA M. AGNEW otherwise known as VIRGINIA MARY AGNEW

To all persons interested in the estate of VIRGINIA M. AGNEW otherwise known as VIRGINIA MARY AGNEW late of Plaistow in the State of New Hampshire, having estate in Andover, Essex County. Date of Death, March 22, 1998

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by HARRY G. AGNEW of East Hampton in the State of Connecticut praying that he be appointed executor of said estate.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Salem Probate Court, 36 Federal St., Salem, MA 01970 BEFORE 10:00 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON April 10, 2001

**Wills only:** In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

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**NORTH ANDOVER, 1st ad!**  
Two year young "builder's home"  
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Cathedral ceilings - 1st flr master  
1st floor office - 9/4/3.5 - acre lot  
3600+ liv sp - beautiful grounds  
Another new listing by Doug Howe  
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#### NEW LISTING



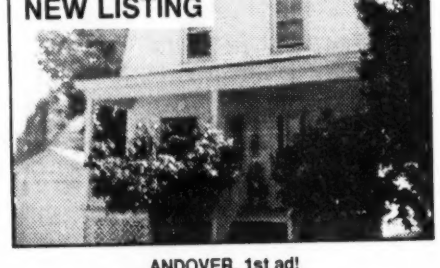
**NORTH ANDOVER, 1st ad!**  
**NORTH ANDOVER ESTATES**  
Beaut 2 lev entry foyer & form liv rm  
White kit opens to fam rm w/FP  
Gleaming HW - 3000sfls - 11/4/2.5  
Master w/ensuite den/jacuzzi & bath  
Another new listing by Lora Horsley x201  
lhorsley@andoverliving.com \$569,900

#### NEW LISTING



**ANDOVER, 1st ad!**  
Location! Carefully maintained Col  
acre+ on cul-de-sac - 9/4/2.5  
Super yard w/basketball/sports court  
roomy eat-in kitchen - frnt-to-bck FP fam rm  
sunrm w/vaulted, skylit ceilings & view.  
Another listing by Chris Doherty x230  
cdoherty@andoverliving.com \$549,900

#### NEW LISTING



**ANDOVER, 1st ad!**  
Walk to Shawsheen K-2!  
Sunny & bright updated Colonial  
Kit w/light cherry cabs, HW, bay window  
New rplcmt wndws - lots of built-ins  
7/3/2 - det gar - patio - \$339,900  
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Exceptional Home - updates galore  
great in-town location on cul-de-sac  
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new wndws/roof/heat sys & hot wtr  
Another listing by Paula Carroll x135  
pcarroll@andoverliving.com \$499,900

#### NEW PRICE



**ANDOVER!**  
Shawsheen Village 7 rm Colonial  
Spacious fam rm opens to lg patio  
Freshly painted 1st flr - 3 bedrooms  
newly tiled bath - redone pine flrs  
1 car detached - nice yard - sunny thruout  
Another listing by Nick Geranios x121  
ngeranios@andoverliving.com \$259,900

#### NEW PRICE



**ANDOVER!**  
Shawsheen Area charming Col  
terrific location near schools & town  
Large dining room w/built-ins  
1 car detached garage with storage  
Hardwood floors - cozy family room  
A listing by the Moody Team x251  
bmoody@andoverliving.com \$329,000

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for today's modern living. Features include: elegant circular staircase,  
hardwood floors throughout, 3 fireplaces, extraordinary master bedroom  
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bath perfect for guests, and gourmet kitchen with natural maple cabinetry  
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10 rooms ~ 4 bedrooms ~ 3.5 baths ~ 3 car garage  
**\$1,299,900**

Another new listing by Mary Gilmartin x248  
mgilmartin@andoverliving.com

#### NEW PRICE



**NORTH ANDOVER!**  
2 year young magnificent Colonial  
Windist Farm - quality thruout  
9/4/2.5 - granite kit/white cabs  
Circular drwy - acre lot - 2 tier deck  
Turned staircase - HW - 1st flr office  
Another listing by Mary Gilmartin  
mgilmartin@andoverliving.com \$759,900

#### NEW CONSTRUCTION



#### VIRTUAL TOUR #087

**ANDOVER, NEW CONSTRUCTION!**  
An OMEGA custom built home  
just minutes from 93 & 495 on acre lot  
4100+ sq. ft. living space - extras galore  
luxurious mstr w/48" x 72" marble whirlpool  
10 rm - 4 BR - 2.5 BA - 3 car attached  
Another listing by Chris Doherty x230  
cdoherty@andoverliving.com - \$959,900

#### NEW CONSTRUCTION



**ANDOVER, STATE OF THE ART**  
Haggetts Pond - private setting  
12 RM - 5+ BR - 4.5 BA - 3 car attached  
energy efficient systems - 4+ acres  
2 back to back gas FP - cat 5 wiring  
seller to consider offers in  
VRM #50 \$789,000 TO \$898,876  
Another listing by Amy Sebell x236

#### WYNWOOD BUILT



#### VIRTUAL TOUR #084

**ANDOVER, 2 YEARS YOUNG**  
A Wynwood Custom Built Home  
near Phillips Academy & Pike School  
5300+ sq. ft. living space - amenities galore  
Scandia kitchen - bridal staircase - 2FP  
11 rm - 4/5 BR - 3 car attached  
Another listing by Amy Sebell x236  
amy@amysebell.com - \$1,150,000



**ANDOVER!**  
Wynwood built home at Regency Ridge  
Exemplifies grandeur throughout  
Spectacular kit opens to palatial fam rm  
1st flr mstr w/gas FP & sitting area  
4 spac BR on the 2nd floor - 5900 liv area  
Another listing by J. B. Doherty x212  
jdoherty@andoverliving.com \$2,250,000



**ANDOVER, EXPANSION POSSIBILITIES!**  
Walk to town - Abuts AVIS land  
6/3+/1.5 - HW - sunroom off mstr  
Large eat-in kit w/wood stove - HW  
Semi-finish walkup attic for expansion  
Lower level laundry and playroom  
A listing by Beth Poulo x221  
bpoulo@andoverliving.com \$315,000



**ANDOVER!**  
Carefully renovated w/attention to detail!  
Charming in town Colonial on wooded lot  
cherry cabs - corian countertops  
9 rm - 3 fireplaces - garage  
wood thermopane windows  
new light filled family room \$549,900  
A listing by Sue Bishop x253



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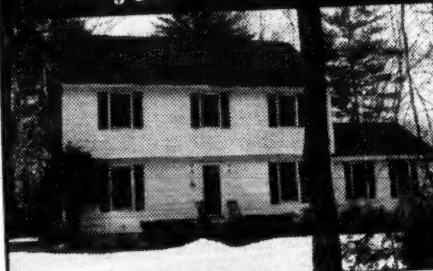
**ANDOVER** Eight room Victorian with lots of charm! Front and back parlors, kitchen with pantry, front and rear stairs. Four bedrooms. Needs some updating. Nice yard in a walk-to-town location. \$369,900

## NEW PRICE!



**ANDOVER** Traditional 7 room Colonial in much sought after in-town neighborhood! Fireplace living room, formal dining room, 2 fireplaces, lots of hardwood floors, central air conditioning and an attached garage. \$389,900

## JUST LISTED!



**NORTH ANDOVER** Private country living! Traditional Colonial home with spacious rooms in lovely condition. Beamed ceiling fireplaced family room, fireplaced living room, 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2 car garage and acre lot. \$459,900

## JUST LISTED!



**ANDOVER** Totally inviting and wonderfully maintained in-town Dutch Colonial near town common. Beautiful foyer, dining room with built-ins, fireplace and bay window in living room, hardwood floors, high ceilings and a delightful farmer's porch! \$469,900

## JUST LISTED!



**ANDOVER** Acreage! Handsome 9 room Tudor style home in move-in condition. Spacious room sizes, lovely sun room, 2.5 baths, security and central air conditioning, two-2 car garages! Private 2.7 acre lot with good access to commuter routes. \$519,900

## JUST LISTED!



**ANDOVER** - Completely renovated Garrison Colonial on private cul-de-sac. Enormous new master suite, 3.5 baths, top quality materials and custom craftsmanship. Multi-tiered deck with 6 person spa. Estate landscaping - gardens, flowering trees, pond with fountain and waterfall. \$525,000

## JUST LISTED!



**NORTH ANDOVER - OPEN SUNDAY 3-5** Pristine French Country Colonial featuring hardwood floors, central air, security and sprinkler system! Fireplaced family room, gourmet kitchen, walkout lower level for expansion. Great location near Old Center. Dir. 38 Foxwood Dr. \$535,000

## JUST LISTED!



**ANDOVER** Stunning center entrance Colonial on a wonderful cul-de-sac abutting conservation land. Bright and airy throughout, gleaming hardwood floors, delightful light and bright kitchen, fireplaced family room, study/music room overlooks backyard. \$589,900

## NEW PRICE!



**ANDOVER** Young and gracious brick front Colonial well sited on a knoll in a close to town location. Beautiful kitchen with top-of-the-line appliances & granite counters opens to fireplaced family room. Gleaming hardwood floors. \$639,900

## NEW PRICE!



**NORTH ANDOVER** Three year old Colonial in desirable cul-de-sac neighborhood of comparable homes. Spacious room sizes, hardwood floors throughout, 2 fireplaces, family room opens to sun-room, air conditioning, master bedroom with walk-in closets and whirlpool. \$750,000

## JUST LISTED!



**ANDOVER** Phillips Academy area! Wynwood built Garrison loaded with extras! Central air conditioning, security and sprinklers. Walk-out lower level has exercise room, changing room, full bath and rec room with wet bar! Beautiful private lot with in-ground gunite pool and Jacuzzi. \$789,900



**BOXFORD** House beautiful! Quality built 4,400 sq. ft. Colonial featuring a sparkling 32' Corian kitchen, huge fireplaced family room plus vaulted ceiling great room, fabulous master bedroom suite, 3 car garage, central air conditioning, security and sprinklers. \$799,900

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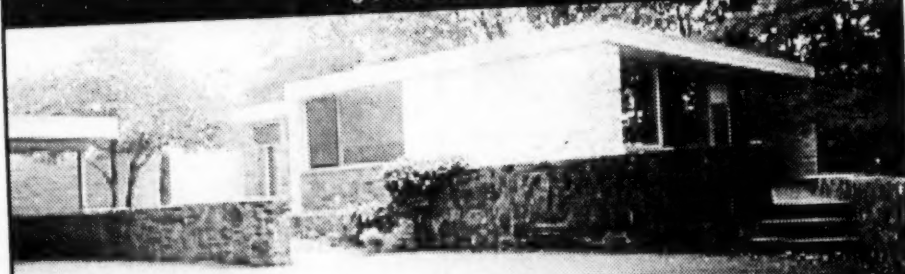


**ANDOVER** Classic Hip Roof Colonial on professionally landscaped 2.38 acre lot. Stunning light and bright open kitchen with tile floor, high ceiling, floor-to-ceiling fireplace. Five bedrooms, 3 fireplaces, huge deck. Lovely cul-de-sac neighborhood. \$799,900



**BOXFORD** Last lot left at Aldershot Estates! 4,300 sq. ft. Colonial under construction by Curran Construction. Quality construction with up-grades galore including 2 fireplaces, granite kitchen, central air conditioning, detailed moldings, and much more! \$920,000

## JUST LISTED!



**ANDOVER** Dramatic modernist masterpiece designed by Bauhaus architect Marcel Breuer! Recipient of the Architectural House of Record Award for Design Excellence. Bold white and natural stone exterior, glass walls, open floor plan. Extensive renovations include new efficient windows, state-of-the-art kitchen and baths, tile floors throughout. Sycamore line drive leads to 2.2 acre estate-like setting offering total privacy yet conveniently located minutes from town and commuter routes. \$1,350,000

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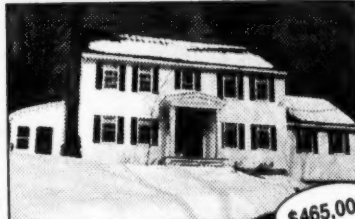


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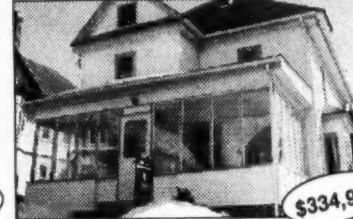
\$389,900

Andover ~ New Listing! 7 rm, 3 bd rm Cape w/2 full baths, frpl liv rm, din rm w/built-in china cabinet, fm rm w/sliders to deck & jacuzzi, enjoy the new kitchen w/great cabinet space & closet pantry.  
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North Andover ~ Col 9+ rms, incld Corian kit, great rm, frpl din rm, htd sunrm and study or 4th bdrm. Mstr suite w/mrbl bath.  
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North Andover ~ 8 room, 3 bedroom Colonial with 2.5 baths located in North Andover's Library area.  
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North Andover ~ 3 bedroom Condo on a quiet street close to schools/commuting.  
Call Margaret O'Connor.



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Andover ~ Multi-level 8 rm, 4 bdrm, 2.5 baths w/lots of wndws, high ceil., frpl fam rm.  
Call Bill Buck.



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North Andover ~ Cath. ceil. kit w/granite tile counters, 1st flr study, sunrm, 2 frpls, hrdwd flrs.  
Call Valerie Duffield.



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North Andover ~ 1st Ad! Col w/3 bdrms, updated kitchen, replacement wndws loc in the Thompson School district.  
Call Carla Burns.



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North Andover ~ 8 rm, 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath Col w/spacious rms set on pretty lot near historic Stevens Coolidge House.  
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Andover ~ Just Listed! Duplex for owner or investor. 4 rm, 2 bdms each unit, sep. utilities.  
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North Andover ~ New Listing! 5 yrs young Col loc. at end of cul-de-sac! This home features large eat-in kitchen, adjacent frpl fam rm, din & liv rm w/hrwd flrs, 4 bdms, mstr suite w/priv full bath & walk-in closet, walk-up attic. Upgrades incl/cair, cvac & alarm system.  
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Andover ~ Private wooded lot. Andover CC loc. Build your own dream home.  
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North Andover ~ Executive home, 12 rms, 5 bd rms, 3.5 baths on cul-de-sac. Gourmet white kit, separate suite for au-pair, 2 frpls, 20x25 great room w/vaulted ceiling, heated pool on acre lot!  
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